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Gun Fire From Albania

Athens, Jan. 7.
Press despatches yesterday reported that Leftist guerrilla artillery was shelling Greek Army positions from emplacements inside Albania.
Despatches from mountains in northwest Greece said that planes from "another power" were being used to drop guerrilla pilot training.
It was reported that Albanian trucks were shuttling through the area north of Butrinti on the highway between Koniza and the Albanian border.
A spokesman for the Greek General Staff said last week at the height of the Koniza battle that Albania, Yugoslavia, and Bulgaria were furnishing large quantities of men and material to the guerrillas.
A heavy battle was reported along the Pektari trail, northwest of Koniza, United Press.
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H.K. Ship Held Up In Swatow

The s.s. "Hawser Bend" was held by Chinese authorities at Swatow for several days following a fight on board between members of the crew and boarding-house runners, the "China Mail" learned in waterfront circles last night.
One of the runners involved in the skirmish died later in hospital.
The ship was held for several days but was finally released when the ship's agents in Swatow offered a guarantee on behalf of the Captain.
Chinese press reports from Swatow said that three Filipino members of the crew were involved in the fight.
The "Hawser Bend", now in Shanghai, is expected in Hong Kong next week.

SINGAPORE BOYCOTT ON CHINA "ARMS" SHIP

Singapore, Jan. 7.
The Singapore Federation of Trade Unions announced today that a boycott had been proclaimed by all harbour workers against the Canadian vessel "Oceanside" which it said "is carrying arms and ammunition to the Nanking Government" in China.
The Singapore Harbour Board said the "Oceanside" is carrying local cargo for Singapore before proceeding to China.
A trade union spokesman said all Chinese, Indian and Malay workmen voted yesterday to refuse to unload the "Oceanside" or any future ships carrying arms and ammunition to China.
He said the amount of arms aboard the "Oceanside" was unknown but "considerable".
Rattray, Simons and Company, the ship's local agents, denied the "Oceanside" was carrying arms.
They said the 7,000-ton "Oceanside" was owned by the Andros Shipping Company of Montreal and sailed from Montreal.
It was the second boycott by harbour workers here since Christmas.
They refused to handle the Canadian ship "Cliffside" which arrived in Singapore on Christmas Day, carrying 2,500 tons of ammunition, four Mosquito bombers and an unarmoured small arms plant destined for the Nanking Government.
Explanation
Government sources in Ottawa said recently the arm shipments from Canada were part of a US\$10,500,000 Mosquito plane deal negotiated between Canada and China some time ago, under which Canada is to ship 170 surplus planes equipped with guns and ammunition and ground maintenance equipment.
The officials said the ammunition being shipped was exclusively for the guns mounted on the planes.—Associated Press.

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Pathan Guerillas Out In Force

New Delhi, Jan. 7.
An official spokesman said today that reports from Indian Army scouts indicate tribesmen from the Northwest Frontier Provinces of Pakistan are planning a major drive to conquer Kashmir.
He added that Indian Army units in Kashmir "are ready for them." He said Indian Army planes dropped 3,000 pounds of bombs on 4,000 Pathans who made their "first daylight attacks" upon Indian positions in Kashmir yesterday.

Informed Indian sources emphasized, however, that yesterday morning's assault by 4,000 well-equipped Moslem guerrillas was only a prelude to a determined offensive before the Indian army can bring its modern equipment into battle.
These sources said the Moslems hoped to destroy the Indian army forces in the mountainous northern state before the Indian army could strike at the guerrilla bases, understood to be within Pakistan territory.

Feint

They said the attack by the guerrillas yesterday, which was supported by artillery fire at dusk, was a feint to cover a major assault on Jammu, second city of Kashmir and major Indian army supply base.
The fall of Jammu would cut the only land route into India and would place the Indian forces within Kashmir in a desperate position without hope of supplies or reinforcements through the freezing, snowy Kashmir winter.
Other unofficial reports said 10,000 heavily armed and well-organized guerrillas are concentrating on Muzaffarabad, a Kashmir town near the Pakistan border, for an attack on Uri, a strategic point on the main road connecting Kashmir with the outside world through Rawalpindi.

The fall of Uri, which was recaptured by the Indians in November, would renew the threat to the capital of Srinagar, which was lifted in mid-November when the Indians took Uri and Baramulla.
Premier Jawaharlal Nehru stated recently that the rebel forces in Kashmir numbered at 50,000 with 100,000 more massed inside Pakistan ready to drive into the State.
Meanwhile, other press reports said the Moslem Nizam of Hyderabad, the world's richest man, advanced to Pakistan a loan of 75,000,000 rupees to tide the Moslem Dominion over her present financial crisis caused by India's refusal to continue paying money due to Pakistan under their recent financial pact.
Russian Offer
London despatches say that Russia has approached Pakistan with proposals for a 10 to 20 year treaty of friendship and alliance, according to reports circulating in Foreign Office quarters today.
No official confirmation was obtainable in London but the authoritative "Yorkshire Post" said it was believed that last autumn the "Soviet" made a similar offer including defence proposals which Pakistan's Governor-General Mohammed Ali Jinnah rejected after informing Whitehall.
The "Yorkshire Post" commented: "Pakistan-Soviet treaty would be useful for Moscow in providing another flanking buffer state."
Russia's possible attitude when the Kashmir case finally reaches the Security Council is also being discussed.—United Press.

Po On Leaders' Inspection

A party of officials of the Po On district, headed by Mr. Wong Kai-hau, the Magistrate, toured the sites of the demolished huts at Kowloon Walled City today at 1 p.m. yesterday.
Mr. Leung Kan-yiu, representing the Chinese Special Commissioner (Foreign Affairs) for Kwangtung-Kwangsi, was also present, and later left with the party for the Special Commissioner's office.
It was learned that, during their tour, the Po On officials distributed monetary relief, amounting to CN\$5,000,000 (approximately HK\$200) to the tenants of the illegal sheds.
The "China Mail" further learned that rice and congee would be supplied to the evacuees by the Po On district tomorrow.

Interview

On receipt of fresh instructions from the Foreign Office at Nanking, Mr. T. W. Kwok, the Chinese Special Commissioner, yesterday called on the Governor (Sir Alexander Grantham) to report on the subject of the eviction of the tenants of the illegal sheds.
According to Government spokesmen, no news have been received from the British Embassy at Nanking regarding the reported protest lodged by the Chinese Government against the forcible measures taken by the authorities here for the eviction of the tenants of the illegal sheds.

Government Opinion Poll On Salaries

In the hope of learning the opinion of Civil Servants regarding the proposed new scale of salaries, Government is preparing circulars to be sent out to individual civil servants on the permanent staff.
These circulars will ask the officials to indicate their views on the new scheme and the salary to which they will be entitled.
They will be requested to give, simply in the affirmative or the negative, their opinion regarding such grading and salary.
The circulars will be sent out to the officials.—Associated Press.

Arabs Grow Bolder Hill Guerillas Ride Through Jerusalem Streets In Lorry



Messages from Jerusalem say that trained and modernized Arab forces were reported in action for the first time yesterday when fighting broke out in the Shapira district of the Jaffa-Tel-Aviv no-man's-land.

Police and army forces moved between the Jews and Arabs amid firing from both sides of the battlefront area in an attempt to halt the fighting.
Hagana headquarters admitted the Arabs are using heavier arms than previously, including mortars.
They said the Arabs carried out the attack with military precision instead of along lines of disorganized mob fighting as before in this border area.
Above are shown a few of the Arab volunteers who have come down from the hills to join the anti-Partition Forces in Jerusalem.—Aphoto

New Attempt To Break Bus Strike Deadlock

Negotiations for a settlement of the bus strike on the Island will, it is understood, take place at the Labour Office at 3 p.m. today between representatives of the China Motor Bus Co., Ltd., and the strikers.

The "China Mail" has also been informed that the Kowloon Motor Bus Co., Ltd., yesterday agreed to pay its workers a gratuity by way of pension after ten years' service.
The following statement on the strike situation was issued yesterday by Mr. Lai Wah-hin, Chairman of the Hong Kong Motor Car Drivers Association:
"During the recent strike, the Traffic Authority with great patience allowed the China Motor Bus Co., Ltd., ample time within which to reinstate the service and at the same time, for the welfare of the public, also have done my best to mediate, hoping to settle the dispute at an early date.
"Unfortunately, the management of the Company stubbornly showed no desire to conduct negotiations for a settlement, hence the present deadlock.
"The strike was caused by the breaking up of negotiations between the management and workers of the Company over the questions of individual agreement signed by the Company with new hands and the retiring remuneration.
"Before the breakdown in negotiations, the Labour Officer and myself tried our best to mediate for a peaceful settlement, but due to the unsympathetic attitude of the Company towards the reasonable demands of the workers, our efforts were nullified.
"Following the breakdown in negotiations, my Association approached the Traffic Authority for permission to run transformed vehicles along the usual bus routes during the strike period so as to obviate inconvenience to the public.
"Our proposal, it is learned, has been put up to Higher Authority for approval.
"We have prepared everything and are only awaiting approval before putting the transformed vehicles into service.
"Repeated attempts to negotiate with the management have been turned down by officials of the Company, which has, on the other hand, engaged inexperienced drivers and hopes to train them to take over the running of the buses.
"We consider that the authorities should take notice of this fact and realize the danger of allowing inexperienced drivers to drive buses on the different routes, in some cases along hilly country."

Hong Kong Will Lend Rice To The Indies

Singapore, Jan. 7.
Hong Kong has agreed to lend to the Netherlands East Indies 2,000 tons of rice because of acute shortages there, Lord Killearn's office announced today.—Associated Press.

A White Kitten's Paw Was On The Altar

Yarmouth, Devon, Jan. 7.
The Bishop of Exeter was informed today that the 700-year-old Church of St. John the Baptist here had apparently been profaned by a Black Mass in which the burned paw of a white kitten had been left on the altar.
The Vicar of the church, which is situated in an area where pagan Druids practiced sacrificial rites many centuries ago, told the Bishop he believed that the church may have to be reconsecrated if his suspicions are confirmed.
Rev. Richard Clough reported he left the doors of the church open so that wayfarers might seek shelter from the wild night of thunder, rain, and lightning on Monday.
When he came back to the church on Tuesday morning, he found 12 stones, pressed with the paw of a white kitten, lying on the floor of the churchyard.
Inside the church the altar candles were burned down.
One candlestick held the paw of a white kitten.
In the porch of the church an image of Christ had been placed face downwards.
Hymn books were face downwards on the floor and the altar frontal had been reversed.
"The white thing had a definite ritualistic significance, pointing to black magic," said the vicar.
Rev. Clough advised his Bishop, Jack Hadden, that he was taking steps to have the church closed before the end of the week.
Rehabilitation Loan Response
Response to the Rehabilitation Loan has been "satisfactory," declared a Government spokesman yesterday.
He, however, could not say how much of the \$50,000,000 has been taken up.
The spokesman added that if the current demand for Rehabilitation Loans continues, the Government may close before the end of the week.

Ships In Trouble Off British Coast

London, Jan. 7.
Continuing heavy seas today hampered attempts to locate and help any craft which had run into difficulties during the gales which swept across Britain's coastline since the middle of last week.
Nothing has been heard of the Cardiff motor vessel "Tinsel" of 200 tons since she sent out a S.O.S. in the Irish Sea last night, and the Douglas (Isle of Man) lifeboat returned to shore to refuel after a fruitless all-night search as Anson aircraft of the Royal Air Force, based on northern Ireland, joined in the hunt.
A Ramsay (Isle of Man) coast-guard official said today: "I doubt very much whether the Tinsel can have survived."
The United States freighter, Lawrence D. Tyson, was brought safely into Plymouth today after a low of more than 100 miles during heavy seas by the Falkland tug "Dextrous".
The American ship had been drifting helplessly with her engines out of commission for nearly 12 hours at the mercy of a miles an hour gale when the tug reached her after receiving radio signals for help.

Mine Deloused

A bomb disposal squad from Plymouth last night removed the detonator of a floating mine which during yesterday's violent storm had drifted close to the wrecked warship "Warspite", lying on the rocks at Prussia Cove near Falmouth.
The "Warspite" was driven on the rocks and wrecked in a gale last spring on her way to be broken up for scrap.
Two of the three ships which were aground last night are still fast.
The third, the 9,000-ton steamer "City of London", inward bound from Rotterdam, was today refloated off Margate.
The Silvio Oriato ran aground last Friday and after three days of abortive attempts to refloat her, her master and crew were removed by lifeboat.
The third ship, the 340-ton Yarmouth coaster "Lynx", which ran on the rocks in Bridlington Bay, Yorkshire, last Saturday, was reported this morning to be quite ship-shape and in no immediate danger after a night of rough seas and high winds.—Reuter.

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General Feng Expelled By Kuomintang

Nanking, Jan. 7.
General Feng Yu-hsiang, China's "Christian General," who was recently recalled to China by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Premier Premier Chang Chun, was expelled from the Kuomintang Party by the decision of the Central Executive Committee at a meeting this morning.
General Feng was sent to the United States last year to study water conservancy. Recently he aroused the wrath of Nanking officials by his strong criticism of the Government's policy.

Kuomintang leaders said the expulsion was voted because it was apparent Feng was confirming his disloyalty by ignoring the Generalissimo's order to return to China.
Feng, a former warlord who entered the Kuomintang 20 years ago, had since occupied many important posts, including that of China's Minister of War.
Party leaders have accused him of double-crossing the Generalissimo by his criticism of the Kuomintang from American lecture platforms.
Informed sources said other Kuomintang leaders were likely to be purged as a result of the Generalissimo's instructions to the party to enforce strictly the regulations calling for registration of all members.
Threat
Meanwhile, a group of independent candidates for the Legislative Yuan election (starting on Jan. 20) appealed today directly to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to uphold their constitutional rights.
They coupled with their appeal a threat to form an independent political group if their request were rejected.
Nine candidates—all former Kuomintang members—signed the message to the Generalissimo urging him to enforce the provisions of the Constitution, putting nomination by petition regardless of party membership.
A spokesman for the group said plans were discussed until with the "irregular" Kuomintang candidates who were denied seats they won in the Assembly elections last November to form a national independent political party pledged to give full support to the Constitution.
The spokesman said: "The Kuomintang is seeking to place the party ahead of the Constitution as the supreme power in denying us the right to seek election as individuals."
He added independent officers to resign their party memberships to seek legislative election with-
out party support, but Kuomintang leaders told them: "You cannot resign."

What The Marshal Demands

Marshal Li Chai-sun, Chairman of the newly-established "China Kuomintang Revolutionary Committee," told the "Kung Sheng Man Po" yesterday that the Committee's aim was the same as the object for which the Kuomintang was organized after the Sino-Japanese clash in Shanghai in 1932.
Marshal Li added that the constitution of the "Kuomintang Revolutionary Committee" differed very little from the Kuomintang's own constitution.
He disclosed that branches of the Committee have already been set up in other places.
General Feng Yu-hsiang was responsible for the Committee in America.
Marshal Li said he was in constant communication with General Feng.
The main reason why a full list of members of the Committee has not been made public was that "many members are still in China."
Saying he was aware that armed force was essential to a successful revolution, Marshal Li added that the Committee was today satisfied with using public opinion as a weapon.

FRANCE HAS IMPORTANT OFFER FOR BAO DAI

Paris, Jan. 7.
A source close to the French Government said today that France will make an "important" offer to Bao Dai, former Emperor of Annam who will meet Emile Bollaert, French High Commissioner to Indo-China in Geneva.
The source indicated France would agree to join Cochinchina and Annam to Tonkin. This has been demanded by both Vietnam and Bao Dai.
The two main points of controversy left are control of the Vietnamese army and foreign relations. If an agreement is reached, the informant said, Bao Dai will be expected to return to Indo-China to organize elections for setting up a provisional government.
The informant did not specify what the offer to Bao Dai would be. But he predicted it would represent a "big concession" by France. In any case, an agreement would take "at least" month—possibly longer—to work out.

The Weather

A weak anti-cyclone extends from Inner Mongolia to the Sahara Sea, and is moving eastward.
A very deep depression is moving slowly north-east over the Kuriles, and a shallow depression is stationary over south-west China.
Forecast: Fresh east and south-easterly winds moderating. Mildly cloudy with morning haze rather warmer.
Yesterday's Weather:
Maximum: 82.5 deg. F.
Minimum: 77.5 deg. F.
Sunshine: 9 hours.
Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1—0.0 mm.
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SALARIES COMMISSION BACKS 4-YEAR TOUR OF DUTY

Huge Shipment Of Illegal Gold From Manila

Manila, Jan. 7. The "Evening News" said gold bullion, reputedly worth 15,000,000 pesos, had been smuggled from Manila to a China Sea port. The paper said the chief of the President's secret police had submitted a report implicating two Filipino officials in the illegal shipment. Expectation of gold is banned by the Philippine Government to non-members of the World Monetary Fund. — Associated Press.

4 European Seamen — Destitute

Four European seamen appeared at Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. J. G. Conklin on a charge of larceny of six blankets and six bed sheets (valued at \$189) from the Seaman's Mission in Hennessy Road. Defendant—Jan H. Kruger, 28, Fredrick Peterson, 23 Stanley Main, 19, and Albert K. Parker, 19—pleaded "guilty."

First accused was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour and the other three to four weeks' hard labour.

Insp. Brownrigg, prosecuting, said that Kruger went to the second floor of the Mission, stole the bed linen and threw it over the balcony to the other three.

The blankets and sheets were later sold and the money used to buy liquor.

All the men, Insp. Brownrigg said, were destitute and could not get a ship out of the Colony.

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Subscriptions received on Jan. 7, 1948:—Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps (Chinese) Club \$1,054.42; Per Young Brothers Banking Corporation Wing Lung Bank \$100; Pak Chung Company \$50; Dai Heng Bank \$50; Dah Sing Bank Ltd. \$50; Hong Sang Bank \$50; Mr. T.K. Whang \$50; Chung Shing Lee Co. \$50; Great China Industrial Co. \$40; Y. Men Club of Hong Kong \$30; Mr. T.S. Wong \$20; Hong Kong & Swatow Commercial Bank \$20; Seeluen Commercial Co. \$20; Wing Sun Co. \$20; Sait Industry Bank of Seeluen \$20; \$580; Grand Total \$3,735,650.18.

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PAYMENT FOR ALL ITEMS USED.

Continuation of the present rule of a four-year tour of duty for European civil servants up to the age of forty is recommended in the Salaries Commission's Report, despite strong representations that this should be shortened. The Commission discloses that other representations concerning conditions of service were made, but the members came to the conclusion that most of them were caused by the present inadequacy of emoluments generally.

The Report says:

Very strong representations were made by the European Civil Servants Council and by certain Heads of Departments against the existing length of tours of duty. It was not commonly suggested that the present length of tours was inimical to health or to efficient work; rather it appeared that officers were influenced chiefly by the shorter tours normal in other Colonies.

Two considerations influenced us towards the conclusion that only minor changes of leave rules for overseas officers were necessary.

- (i) It is true that for four or five months in the year the climate of Hong Kong is bad, uncomfortable and enervating. There is no evidence that the incidence of sickness during the hot summer months is specially high; the climate at this season is trying rather than unhealthy. On the other hand the recuperative value of the long spell of relatively cool, dry weather is high. The climate for three or four months is good. It is not too much therefore to expect that men should work for longer tours of duty in Hong Kong than would be reasonable in the almost unchanging heat of Malaya.

High Cost

- (ii) Hong Kong is very nearly as far away from Great Britain where most overseas officers wish to spend their leave as any spot on the globe and steam and air plane fares necessarily are high. The long time involved in the sea voyage adds to the cost to Government. The cost in fares for an officer and his family would be so great that a radical change for all overseas officers would be justified only if there were convincing evidence of physical or mental harm consequent on the present length of tours. For younger officers such evidence was not forthcoming.

The present rule imposes a four year tour until an officer has attained the age of forty-five and has completed twenty years service, after which the normal tour is three years. After consideration of the representations made we recommend

that overseas officers should continue to serve a four year tour until they attain the age of forty and have completed ten years service, and that thereafter the tour should be reduced to three years.

Study Leave

The implementation of the policy in regard to local recruitment necessarily implies that periods of study leave should be given generously in all appropriate cases. For the time being, the number of local officers who should require study leave may be relatively small. In any case, in these days, it is not easy for a man, from overseas to obtain admission to professional and technical courses of study in Great Britain, to which country, it is hoped, a man will naturally turn for the acquisition of knowledge and experience. But this question of study leave will acquire increasing importance with the lapse of years.

We therefore make the following general recommendations on this matter:—

- (i) To assist promising assistant professional officers to qualify by the acquisition of special experience or higher diplomas for promotion to the professional grade, the granting of study leave on the recommendation of a Head of Department at any time after such officers have completed five years service should be favourably considered.

Refresher Courses

- (ii) Local professional officers with more than ten years service should be allowed to accumulate their annual leave up to six months in order to enable them to take refresher courses or to study the latest developments in their professions.
- (iii) Where study leave is granted under the above recommendations, return passages and tuition fees should be paid by Government.

- (iv) Officers who are granted study leave under these recommendations should be required to enter into an undertaking to continue in Government service for at least five years after the completion of the study leave granted to them.

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Landing In Palestine



Here is the scene after the Royal Navy had intercepted a Jewish refugee ship, the Haganah ship "Unafraid" with about 850 Jewish refugees aboard, and the ship had been taken into Haifa harbour, where the refugees were disembarked. Transshipment to British ships which will carry the immigrants to detention camps in Cyprus began immediately, without incident. Photo shows—Some of the immigrants boarding rubber life rafts in which they were towed out to the waiting ship from the embarkation point on the Italian coast. —A Photo.

HAINAN WAR CRIMES COURT TOLD—

120 Chinese Bayoneted In Cold Blood

How 120 Chinese prisoners at Hainan POW Camp were bayoneted by defendants was told by the prosecution at the war crimes trial of Camp Commandant Admiral Tahara Susumu and 16 of his associates before the No. 1 Australian War Crimes Court on Tuesday at Kowloon.

Defendants, who are represented by two Japanese counsel with Major J. Soster as Advisory Officer, are charged with ill-treating 283 Australian and 287 Dutch Hainan Camp POWs and causing the death of 81 Australians and 70 Dutchmen. All pleaded not guilty.

Tajima Tamaki ("Friendly Fred")—later "Hateful Harry"—was overcome with nausea just after the afternoon session started.

The Court, consisting of Lt. Col. H.G. Guinn, DSO, ED, (President), Lt. Col. T. Brock (Judge Advocate), AALC, Major N. McCleod, AALC, Light Horse (Commando) and Lt. R. Carter, AALC, then adjourned proceedings to today at 9.30 a.m.

Prosecution Officer Major Grant McIntyre, Australian Div SCAF, (GHQ), Tokyo, with Major A.D. Mackay assisting, finished reading the report of Camp Commandant Lt. Col. W.J.B. Scott (2/21 Battalion, Australian Army).

The report told how 120 Chinese prisoners were brought to the camp on the evening of July 17, 1948.

It said defendants practised various "sworn cuts" in front of the Australian and Dutch POWs.

The Chinese were taken to a nearby field by defendants and some guards. An hour later defendants returned.

A few weeks after the incident, the Australians found in the field newly filled-in graves of the "bayoneted Chinese."

Captain C. Newham, Adjutant of the Hainan Camp, will give evidence today.

At yesterday's session photographs of prisoners taken when the Americans rescued them in August, 1945, were produced by the prosecution.

The POWs were shown in a starving condition and ravaged with disease.

Dr. Dawson-Grove, of Hong Kong, will give evidence as to the condition of the POWs as indicated by the exhibits.

Lt. C. McCutcheon, a prisoner, (2/21 Batt. Australian Army), and Cpl. A. Pledger (of the same battalion) will also give evidence.

NEW ANTI-RED GROUP TO BE SET-UP IN N.-W. CHINA

Nanking, Jan. 7. A new North-west China Communist Suppression Headquarters will be established with General Chang Chi-chung, former Governor of Sinkiang, slated to be commander-in-chief, according to Chinese press reports today. The new command will be similar to the recently established central headquarters under National Defence Minister Pai Chung-hsi and the North China headquarters under Gen. Fu Tso-yi. It will centralise the command of anti-Communist operations in the north-west provinces.

The headquarters are expected to be located at Lanzhou, capital of Kansu, but Shian, the seat of the Shensi provincial government, is also mentioned as a possibility.

Ma Hung-tai, Ma Pu-fang, Chu Shao-chow and Kuo Chichien, governors of Ninghsia, Chinghsai, Shensi, and Kansu respectively, will reportedly serve as deputy commanders to Gen. Chang Chi-chung.

The decision to establish a new command was made as Communist activity spread to the border regions of the north-west provinces and Gen. Hu Tshun-nan's suppression of the Communists in northern Shensi appeared to be bogged down.

At Kiukiang

The Communist Suppression Command at the Yangtze River port of Kiukiang has called an emergency military conference to discuss measures to safeguard river shipping as Communists threatened the waterway near Kiukiang, pro-Government reports added.

The Communists, active along a 200-mile stretch of the Yangtze River centred at Hankow, have been desperately trying in the past two months to swarm across the mile-wide river into Hunan Province, possibly to link up with guerrilla forces active in China's richest "rice bowl."

The reports said all local magistrates and local commanders west of Kiukiang and east of Hankow have been summoned to the conference which was called as Communists were reported to have stormed into Huangmei, 25 miles north of Kiukiang.

Reports from Hankow said that Hoshueh, a river port west of Hankow and 25 miles south-east of Shansi, has been recaptured by Government forces thus temporarily removing the gravest Communist threat to shipping west of Hankow. However Communists still occupied territory within firing range of the river.

H.K.-SHANGHAI HOTELS BONUS

The Directors of The Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels, Limited, announce that from the profit accruing from the sale of the Palace Hotel, Shanghai, it is their intention to recommend at the forthcoming Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company a bonus to Shareholders of \$2.50 per share.

range of the river. Chienli, another river port 35 miles southeast of Hoshueh, is still under Communist siege but Red efforts thus far have been frustrated.

North of Chienli the Communists, who captured Chienchang last week, are now moving northwards towards Shayang, highway junction on the Hankow-Shansi highway. Shayang is 35 miles northeast of Shansi. —United Press.

ARREST

A 36-year-old Chinese male, dressed in European style clothing, was arrested by Chinese Revenue Office 147 at the Kowloon-Canton Railway Station about 10 p.m. yesterday in possession of approximately 35 taels of raw opium. He is being detained by the Police and will appear before the Magistrate this morning.

Reminders

Today
Chinese Postal & Cable Censors (1035-41) New Year Re-union Dinner, Kowloon Tong Garden City Club, 7 p.m.
Younger Set Night Club, European YMCA, West Lounge, 8 p.m.

Coming Events
TOMORROW
Recital of Classical Music (Records), European YMCA, West Lounge, 8.15 p.m.
SATURDAY
Queen's College Speech Day, 26 Kennedy Road, 10 a.m.

THE WHISKERS CLUB



Mr. Owl had dashed off to the woods, saying he would find someone to rescue Toddlies. Slipping beneath a tree he called out. Something stirred above.

Meanwhile Whisk sat down and was worrying about Toddlies. A little voice interrupted his thoughts, saying: "Cheer up! There sat Glim the Glowworm."

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SERGEANT FACES DANGEROUS DRIVING CHARGE

Hearing of a case in which Sgt. John Charles Kent, 983 Coy. R.A.S.C., Whitfield Barracks, is charged with dangerous driving at Castle Peak on Dec. 25 was commenced before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

The case, according to Sub-Inspector F. Roberts, arose out of an accident near the 11-milestone at Castle Peak Road, near Tsun Wan, at 5.15 p.m. on Christmas Day.

Two vehicles were involved—one, military ambulance A3283 driven by defendant, and the other, private car 2903 driven by Mr. R. H. Nelson who had his wife and baby with him as passengers.

As the result of the accident, continued SI Roberts, the occupants of the private car received injuries. Mr. Nelson was still in hospital.

In the contention of the prosecution, said SI Roberts, the accident occurred as the result of defendant having driven at a dangerous speed.

A summons would be issued against Mr. Nelson for driving on a side other than the left side of the road, concluded the prosecuting officer.

A Gray Standard

Mr. H. A. Park, a missionary, testified to noticing a gray Standard passing the car park near the 11-milestone while he was about to turn back to Kowloon.

After turning his car, said witness, he proceeded about half a mile up the road when he came upon the scene of an accident, involving the same gray car he saw earlier and a military ambulance.

When he got up to the vehicles he saw a lady, a baby, and a man being extricated from the body of the car through the roof.

The front wheels of the ambulance were off the road, while the front part of the military vehicle was resting on the bonnet of the car.

Soon after, continued witness, a private car came along and the driver took the injured persons in to Kowloon. The ambulance driver got into a passing taxi and went to Castle Peak. Before he went off, the military driver backed the ambulance from the Standard car.

Witness went on to say that he took two photos of the scene. Due to his excitement he did

not turn the roll of film sufficiently, with the result that there was a double exposure.

In reply to Mr. A.S.C. Comber, for the defence, witness said he estimated the speed of the Standard at between 25 and 30 m.p.h. at the time it passed him at the car park.

As there was very little traffic at the time he would say that that was a reasonable speed, and that the utmost "safety speed" then would be 30 m.p.h.

At this stage, the Court adjourned to St. Teresa's Hospital to take the evidence of Mr. Nelson before proceeding to the scene of the accident.

Hearing will be resumed tomorrow afternoon.

Sudan Issue Revived

London, Jan. 6.

Sir Robert Howe, the Governor-General of the Sudan, has presented his views to the Egyptian Government on proposals for constitutional reform in the Sudan, which had been worked out under his predecessor, Sir Hubert Huddleston, last July, a Foreign Office spokesman said here today.

The spokesman confirmed that Sir Robert, who is now on his way to London from Cairo, will also present his view to the British Government when he reaches this country.

He categorically denied reports that Sir Robert was coming here because of the differences between himself and the British Ambassador in Cairo, Sir Ronald Campbell, who was recalled for consultation and reached Britain last weekend.

From the point of view of British policy, it is an obvious advantage that both these officials should be in London at a time when the possibility of making a fresh attempt to revise the 1930 Anglo-Egyptian treaty which broke down on the Sudan issue, is under discussion. — Reuter

Appeal For Children

Nanking, Jan. 7. Madame Chiang Kai-shek has agreed to become the chairman of the Chinese National Committee of the United Nations Appeal for Children which will be formed in the immediate future, according to an announcement by Mr. Sidney Horthorn, the chief regional representative of the appeal in Asia.

Madame Chiang will also become a member of the international advisory committee for the appeal.

In accepting the leadership of the appeal, China's First Lady said: "The United Nations appeal for children is more than just another relief campaign. It is the opportunity for us to demonstrate our realization that the world is the individual concern of each one of us."

"The hope of a peaceful future for the world depends on today's children."

"We must, therefore, build the new generation to be sound in mind and body and ready to face successfully the great responsibilities of tomorrow." — Reuter.

FOOD PARCEL FUND

The following is a list of the donations received up to Jan. 6, 1948 which have not yet been acknowledged in the press: Mr. M. T. Case \$20, Mrs. T. C. Wong \$5, Mrs. K. S. Shin \$5, Mrs. B. J. Wong \$5, Mrs. K. H. Ten \$5, Mrs. H. T. Tai \$5, Mrs. P. K. Au \$10, Mrs. C. Li \$10, Mrs. Lam-bert Kwok \$10. Total donations received \$30,241.59.

Keyman In Indonesia WOMEN JURORS VERDICT WAS "GUILTY"



Negotiations opened between Indonesian Republicans and Netherlands delegates aboard the U.S. Army transport "Renville" on December 8 are still inconclusive. Here is a key figure—a new photograph of President Sukarno of the Republic of Indonesia.—A photo.

29 BLACKMARKETEERS FINED \$4,475

Fines totalling \$4,475 were imposed on 29 store-keepers in Kowloon by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr yesterday.

The highest penalty of \$400 was levied on Ho Chuen of the Hing Kee Store, 567 Shanghai Street, for selling a cake of toilet soap to inspectors Fung Kam-tin and C.C. Chan for 70 cents instead of at the controlled price of 60 cents.

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A verdict of guilty was returned by Hong Kong's first women jurors in a murder case yesterday. Li Chun, alias Ng Chun, Anti-Malaria Bureau coolie, charged with the murder of a fellow worker on July 28, was sentenced to death by the Chief Justice, Mr. E. H. Williams.

Li Chun, who listened to the sentence without showing any emotion, said he would appeal. The jury took just an hour, in arriving at the verdict, and were exempted from jury service for one year.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. A. J. Clifford, Crown Counsel, assisted by Sub-Inspector G. E. Willerton; and accused was defended by Mr. Percy Chen.

The whole of yesterday morning was occupied with closing addresses by prosecuting and defence counsel.

Mr. Clifford urged that accused was a confirmed liar from beginning to end. He submitted that the motive of the crime was money and not a quarrel of wives.

His story of having been assaulted by deceased first was not substantiated by marks of injury after the crime, and he made no mention of this when first charged.

Mr. Percy Chen, for the defence, said that to establish a charge of murder, it was necessary for the prosecution to prove it to the hilt.

He submitted, the Crown had utterly failed to do so. "Drawing Room"

Accused and deceased were good friends and the fight which led to the death of deceased was a "drawing-room" fight between two friends, without malice—express or implied.

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British Consul Disappears

Pittsburgh, Jan. 6.

The police today disclosed that Alexander M. Galbreath, acting British Consul here, has been missing for six days.

His two daughters told the superintendent of police, Harvey Scott, that their father walked out of his office on December 31 and has not been heard from since.

The 50-year-old diplomat received notice from the British Foreign Office only a few hours before his disappearance that he would be "reinstated" from duty, effective on January 1.

One of his daughters, Jean, who served as his secretary, said her father had been in ill-health during the past two years.

The Congressional Directory of Foreign Consulates lists Galbreath as "acting Consul (honorary)" and a permanent successor was reported to be on his way from England.—United Press.

A Day Too Late

Jerusalem, Jan. 6.

Moshe Lackman, 22, was the only known survivor of his family of seven. His parents, three brothers and two sisters were reported to be "liquidated" in a Polish concentration camp.

Moshe, escaped, was brought to Palestine in 1939 and has worked ever since on the Beit Yanni farm.

Last week, the Jewish Agency discovered his father among the Jewish illegal immigrants being held on Cyprus. The report of his death was erroneous.

A Jewish Agency representative went to the Beit Yanni farm to tell Moshe the good news. He arrived in time to attend Moshe's funeral. He had been killed the night before when Arabs ambushed a convoy of trucks.—United Press.

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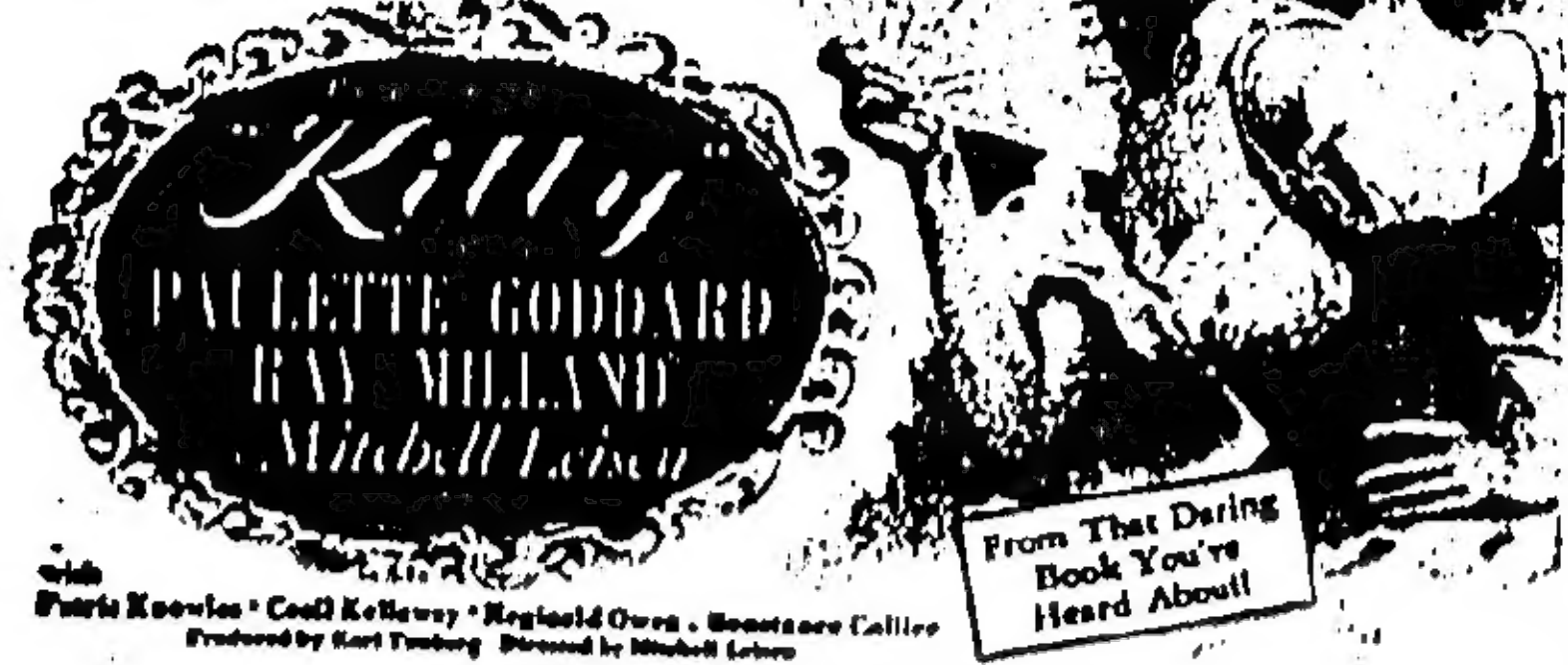
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END OF A CHAPTER

The agreement by which last week the Legation Quarter in Peking was handed over to the administration of the local Chinese authorities ends another chapter in Sino-foreign relations. The last vestige of extraterritoriality in China has disappeared.

It may, at this time, be pertinent to point out that extraterritoriality was not imposed upon China by the Western World. It was a typical Chinese device which traders from overseas were obliged to accept as a condition of commercial intercourse. The system worked reasonably well in the nineteenth century and it is difficult to see what other device could have made even restricted commercial intercourse possible between two civilisations so profoundly different in their ideas of the nature of law and organisation of society. It was only when the Chinese conception of law as a code of moral behaviour began to yield to the Western theory that law is a set of definite rules enforceable by prescribed sanctions, that the original justification of extraterritoriality passed away.

Gradually too the system became identified in patriotic minds as a visible symbol of China's weakness and an arbitrary limitation of sovereignty. Its total abolition was demanded with increasing insistence by all who saw in Dr. Sun Yat-sen the prophet of a reborn and unified China.

The Western powers might well have recognised sooner the strength of the psychological forces which underlay the struggle against 'unequal treaties.' As it was, the disturbances to which the revolution gave birth, lent to the extraterritoriality of the concessions—peaceful oases in a chaotic continent—a spurious if unjust justification.

Only in the second World War did it become apparent that the traditional relations between China and the West had become outmoded. The first fruits of a fresh approach was the renunciation of extraterritoriality. The ceremony in Peking has closed a chapter of Chinese history which probably lasted too long.

Greek Threat

While there is no confirmation of reports that Britain intends to increase the strength of British forces in Greece, consent of the United States to the transfer of aid funds from civil to military purposes is indicative of the importance attached to the setting up of a revolutionary government in Greece.

The real reason for the Markos move has, obviously, little to do with the internal politics of Greece. The decisive factor is Russia's general policy in Eastern Europe, of which the Greek step is but one aspect of the measures deemed necessary to ensure the failure of the Marshall Plan.

Like the dismissal of King Michael of Rumania and the attempt to break the last independence of the Christian Democrats in the Russian zone of Germany, intensification of the Greek struggle has one aim only in view—to stamp out Western influence in Eastern Europe.

The collapse of the French strike and the ineptitude of Communist manoeuvres in Italy cannot fail to suggest to the Kremlin that economic sabotage, trade union action and general but unco-ordinated political agitation are not sufficient to secure the halting of the Plan. But if minor disruptions do not have the hoped-for effect, the Russians face the dilemma: can they afford to see the Plan succeed in the face of their much advertised opposition; if not, what stronger steps can they take to destroy it? It is on this issue that the Greek civil war may become the test case.

That any country should be at war, and that other countries should support that war, so soon after the end of bloodshed and

FOR BRITAIN A YEAR OF PROGRESS

By Dr. George Gretton

For the British people the year 1947 ended on a crescendo of progress. Production in basic industries, coal, steel and textiles is moving steadily upwards.

The year began under less favourable auspices. Early in 1947 British plans for reconstruction were put seriously out of joint by unforeseen difficulties. In the first place, it became evident then that reconstruction in other countries—particularly Europe—was not keeping pace with the British reconstruction effort. British effort has been keyed throughout to world reconstruction since the British view is that no country can work in a vacuum and that prosperity is indivisible. At about the time when it became clear that Britain's trading partners in Europe were taking longer than had been calculated to recover from the ravages of the second World War Britain ran up against handicaps of nature. Unusually severe frost paralysed transport long enough to eat into the slender margin of fuel reserves and the floods which followed the thaw caused havoc over a wide area of agricultural land. Not only were crops but an immense toll taken of farming stocks.

British Recovery

The recovery which Britain has made, from this bitter spite of fortune, added to the calculated difficulties of postwar reconstruction, has been sensational. Steel production is at present higher than it has ever been. Coal production is higher than it has been since the first year of the second World War. Other important industries are touching new records and it is estimated that overall industrial production is between 10 and 20 per cent. higher than in 1939. How has this advance come about in the face of all handicaps imposed by six years of total war and its aftermath? It is doubtful whether any people who have the right to elect and dismiss their rulers have ever submitted to such stringent demands on their energy and patience as have Britain's people during the past eight years. No doubt the explanation lies partly in their combative instinct for they are at their best when given real and challenging problems with which to cope. But I think this is only part of the answer. Britain's people have been able to achieve so much in the past

12 months primarily because they are satisfied—consciously or subconsciously—that they are working to secure worthwhile social and economic standards—in fact to create what philosophers have often called "the good society."

Alien Concept

The theory that one generation should be sacrificed at the behest of an arbitrary authority to ensure putative benefits for some generation or generations as yet unborn is a concept alien to the British way of life. But Britons, who are a hardheaded people, are prepared to endure hardships and self-denial if they can see clearly ahead a better society for themselves and their children to inhabit. I believe that today they can see their way to a better, fairer, more dignified way of life than the world has ever seen. That is why they are responding to demands which their elected Government is making on their energy and resources. They would not be prepared to do this, however, unless they were sure of their ground. They are sure of their ground because they can see evidence of the shaping of a new society and a new conception of the relationship between man and man and between man and the State.

During 1947 even the most cautious and sceptical people have been given evidence that social and political history is being made in Britain. In the first place a great revolution in standards of living has taken place. It is no discredit to peoples of other countries to say that almost everywhere where the second World War has directly hit national economies there has been grievous hardships for the poorer classes. On the Continent of Europe in particular where war had its most immediate impact we find grave discrepancies in standards of living as between the wealthier minority and the poorer majority. In Britain, on the other hand, during 1947 that lower income groups have improved their position relatively to high income groups since the second World War. Intense inflationary pressure created in Britain by the almost total switchover from consumer to war production for several years has been checked and held in such a way that no single citizen in Britain need go hungry or need want for necessities as a result of it. Prices have been held below world prices by a carefully regulated system of rationing, price control and subsidisation of foodstuffs.

Social Standards

At the same time new social and industrial standards have been created. Forms of industrial democracy have grown up in Britain which give every worker a real stake in his occupation and have abolished the old anachronistic relationship of

employer and employed. New Development Joint Consultation or Joint Production Committees have been consolidated as part of the structure of British democracy during this year. The attitude of man to job and of industry to man has finally been established on a human and social basis.

Side by side with this development we have seen consolidation of social progress which began long ago but which has been most clearly manifested in implementation during the past two or three years of the Beveridge Plan. This year has seen final completion of the massive structure of national and social services which guarantee security for every citizen in Britain. Last November Mr. Aneurin Bevan, brought forward the National Assistance Bill, which covered all the ground left by previous social security bills—the National Insurance and National Health Service Acts and the Industrial Injuries Act.

Security

With this final achievement Britain's social security was complete. Any worker in the country knows that come what may he is protected against all hazards of sickness, unemployment or ill fortune. He can see himself as a member of a great community which takes responsibility for him and will see that he does not want. He knows, too, that this great concept of social community is based upon the practical need to contribute as well as to receive. It is because the great mass of the British people of whatever class or social group grasped this principle of interaction of rights and responsibilities that they are willing to throw themselves into the battle for reconstruction. In this sense the moral and material interaction and the success of Britain's material reconstruction has social and moral roots and deep significance for the people of every country in the critical state of the world today.

Japanese Lottery Fortunes

By EARNEST HONEREGHT

If you were holding a winning lottery ticket that would make you a millionaire, how long would it take you to claim your prize?

Anyhow but in Japan the answer would be: "No long, brother."

But it seems to be different story here.

Right now there are still five Japanese somewhere in this country with tickets worth 1,000,000 yen each.

That's about \$200,000 in American money at the U.S. Army conversion rate.

At least four other lucky Japanese are holding tickets worth 100,000 yen each.

These guys seem to be hiding out. This particular group were the winners of a big Christmas lottery and have not shown up yet to claim their winnings.

You could sum it up by saying the Japanese are great gamblers but are reluctant to show up to claim the pot.

The Christmas lottery was just one of many last year the Government and prefectural authorities sold lottery tickets amounting to nearly \$500,000,000 yen. This was 79.6 per cent of all tickets offered for sale.

On its regular cost, the national treasury was made the richer by \$1,000,000,000 yen. The Government made a little extra by happening to hold one of the big winning tickets.

A lot of people are still rather bitter about this.

Various prefectural Governments sold nearly 400,000,000 yen worth of tickets. The bulk of these prefectural lotteries chances enabled the authorities to set up six hospitals, 26 schools, 15 research institutions and libraries, 19 bridges and 2,647 dwellings.

One of the million-yen winners was the wife of a wealthy Osaka contractor. Another million-yen winner was a 48-year-old village boy who said he never knew where to go to such money in the world.

One young fellow was told by a fortune teller that he had the winning ticket. When it turned out that the fortune teller was wrong and that he did not win a fortune, he committed suicide.

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CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By SHEPARD BARCLAY

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WHATS THE BIG HURRY?

Striving to gain a reputation for having a quick mind may be all right in some circumstances. But doing it at the bridge table is likely only to advertise your inferiority complex and cost you plenty of points. The player who gives the game the attitude to which it is entitled will seldom embark on the very first plan of play he sees, which can make his contract if it works. He first takes a look to see if there is some better and surer way to attain his objective, then selects the course which seems best in the premises.

SK 2
H 3
D Q J 9 5
C K J 10 9 7 3
SAQJ9 S 10 8 6 5
H Q J 7 4 3
D 3 2 W E H K 9 8 2
C Q 5 4 2 S D 7 6 C 6

S 7
H A 10 6 5 4
D A K 10 8 4
C A 8
(Dealer: East. North-South vulnerable.)

East	South	West	North
Pass	1 H	Pass	2 C
Pass	2 D	Pass	3 D
Pass	3 H	Pass	3 NT
Pass	6 D		

Pairs that tried 6-No Trumps on this duplicate deal failed to make their contracts. The pairs that reached diamond slams made them, except for one declarer who tried to show his speed.

Mr. Hurry won the diamond 3 lead with the A after West

scored his spade A, then took just a quick look and noted that his slam was a sure thing if the club finesse would work. So he led to the club A and sent forth the 8, on which West put the 4 and dummy the J. Then came the blow when East set him by ruffing this with his last diamond.

If South had used his brain better, he would have seen several alternatives. First, if he was going to be a finesse hound, he should have taken another trump trick first. But better still would have been to discard his losing club on the spade K, then cross-ruff hearts and clubs, drop the final trump and then cash the set-up hearts for the final trick.

Call that terrible carelessness if you wish, but we know you have seen just as careless play, and also that every one of us has been guilty of it upon occasion.

Tomorrow's Problem

S 7 6 2
H K 8 4 3
D K
C A Q 7 5 2

SQ8 SKJ9
HJ975 HAQ102
DJ863 D742
C1093 S CKJ8

S A 10 5 4 3
H 6
D A Q 10 9 5
C 6 4

(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable.)

After South ruffs the second heart, how should he try for his 4-Spades?

Increase In Greek Army Planned

Washington, Jan. 6.

Development of plans for a large scale Greek army offensive next spring to try to smash the guerrilla movement was strongly indicated by the State Department today.

The indication came in a statement explaining American support of an increase in the Greek Government armed forces and the diversion of \$55,000,000 in American aid funds from civilian to military purposes to finance the increase.

The action will "considerably strengthen the Greek national guard as well as the national army," the State Department said, and thus will "free the Greek national army from static defense tasks for mobile operations against the guerrillas."

The Athens Government announced last night that with American approval, the Guard would be boosted by 10,000 men to a total of 50,000, and the army by 15,000 men to a total of 121,000.

"These increases have been regarded as a matter of urgency by the Greek Government," the State Department said.

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Australia On Heard Island

Canberra, Jan. 6.

Commenting on the Australian occupation of Heard Island, the Prime Minister, Mr. B. Chifley, said the Australian policy, especially when empowered to survey all possibilities for all bases in the Antarctic.

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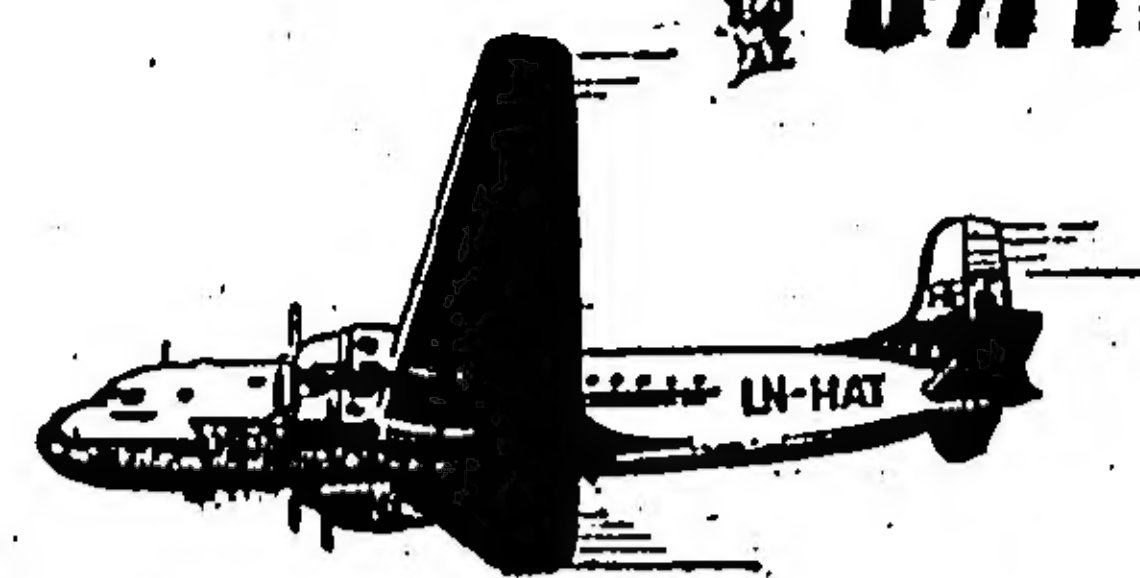
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CHINA'S CLAIM TO AID

Mission Leaving Shortly For Washington

Two Billion Dollars Would Do, Says Dr. Chang

Washington, Jan. 6.

"Within a week" the Chinese Government will present the United States with a programme for further American assistance to China, said Dr. Carson Chang, chairman of the Chinese Democratic Socialist Party.

In an exclusive interview, the so-called author of China's new constitution said, "China will tell the United States its situation, what China can do to help itself, and propose what the US do to supply further assistance China needs."

Leopold Demands Plebiscite

BRUSSELS, JAN. 6.

KING LEOPOLD, OF THE BELGIANS, NOW LIVING IN EXILE IN SWITZERLAND, HAS SENT A MESSAGE TO THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT WHICH IS BELIEVED TO INSIST THAT THE QUESTION OF HIS RETURN BE PUT TO A POPULAR VOTE. IT WAS RELIABLY LEARNED HERE TODAY.

It is believed here that the king's message, which is to be discussed by the Belgian Cabinet on Friday, may endanger M. Paul Henry Spaak's 10-month-old two-party Coalition Government of Socialists and Social Christians.

"The Socialists have, in the past, been opposed to the king's return, which the Social Christians favour."

"The king has demanded, it is believed, that the issue of his return be put to a popular vote rather than be held over to become the main issue in the next general elections, due in 1950."

—Reuter.

Chang said he was speaking unofficially. He expressed the opinion that the Minister of Communications, David Yue, is likely to head the mission.

Chang explained: "Yue, and the Secretary of State, George Marshall, worked together when General Marshall was in China." Chang said he did not know just when the mission would leave China "if it has not already left."

It will present a programme for China's rehabilitation which is the outgrowth of an investigation by a five-man board that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek appointed some time ago. Chang declined to forecast what the mission would tell the US Government. He said "financial reorganization and currency stabilisation are the fundamentals of China's needs."

Chang estimated that "US\$400,000,000 would stabilise Nanking currency."

Referring to present discussions in Washington on the Marshall Plan for Europe, Carson Chang said: "About one and a half or two billion dollars would do everything China needs."

Dr. Carson Chang is proceeding to Seattle, where he is lecturing at the University of Washington for two months on China's new constitution.—Associated Press.

Ex-King Michael And Whisky Arrive

Lausanne, Jan. 6.

Ex-King Michael and his mother, Queen Helen, rested in their rooms today after their two-day journey from Rumania, while the personal belongings which the King and his suite had been allowed to take from Rumania were unloaded in Lausanne station.

Three cars and a jeep, some cases of whisky and wine, three sporting rifles and the ex-King's sign and motorcycle were among the luggage unloaded from three of the eight dark green coaches of the special Rumanian train.

Reports that the daughter and grandson of M. Tataru, former Rumanian Foreign Minister, were on the train were denied by Major Jacques Vergout, Michael's Aide. He said: "The only child on board was the son of M. Negroponte, Administrator of the King's Estate, whose brother married the daughter of M. Tataru."

Later, the ex-King issued an official denial of reports that he had left Rumania "just to be free and enjoy himself and get married."

Two members of his suite said the ex-King also wished to deny press reports that he had left Rumania with the train loaded with valuables and that he had brought out a lot of money. Also that his train was filled with refugees from the new Rumanian regime.

Still King

"In fact the Royal party consists simply of the ex-King, Queen Helen, eight other people and four servants," said the statement. "The rest were train staff, most of whom will probably return to Rumania."

King Michael, "who abdicated only under pressure, fully intends to return to Rumania," an authoritative source told Reuter today.

"In these circumstances he will remain the King of the Rumanians," said the source, adding: "Explaining why Michael's entourage continued to refer to him as the King."

Prince Nicolas, uncle of the King, told Reuter that Michael's two sons, Princess Elizabeth of Rumania, the widow of King Carol II, the illegitimate son of King Carol II, and Prince Archduke Alexander of Habsburg, were expected to leave Rumania for Switzerland this weekend.

The King will probably make no

Shanghai, Jan. 7.—Mr. Gen. John F. Lueder, outgoing chief of the American Military Mission in China, is expected to leave for the United States tomorrow.

Siamese Prince Killed

Bangkok, Jan. 6.

Prince Chetanskorn Vorivarn, who took a small part in the film "Anna and the King of Siam," has died in hospital here of injuries sustained when his tricycle collided with a car, it was learned today.

The Prince was the brother of a Siamese author. He recently completed a Siamese film here. The accident occurred last Saturday but the identity of the Prince was not discovered until last night.—Reuter.

Manila Murder Drama Sentences

Manila, Jan. 7.

Ricardo Parulan, young former guerrilla officer, and his sweetheart, pretty United States born Gloria Caballero, were sentenced to death by the Court of the First Instance today for the kidnap-murder of Arthur Lee, Gloria's Chinese lover, on June 10 last year.

Crisanto Santos, driver of the car, was sentenced to 8-14 years, while three other defendants were acquitted for lack of evidence.

The principals in the biggest local crime story of 1947 were arrested a few miles north of Manila following a 17-day manhunt.

The death sentences are subject to review by the Supreme Court and must be ratified unanimously by the highest tribunal.

Gloria sobbed: "I am innocent," and nearly fainted when sentence was read into yesterday.

The sentence said the evidence showed that Gloria was a willing partner in the crime.—United Press.

Attempt On Nizam's Life

Hyderabad, Jan. 6.

The trial of persons accused of being involved in the attempt to kill the Nizam of Hyderabad early last month began here yesterday when two men, whose names were given as Narayan Rub and Gundiah, appeared before the Chief Magistrate.

Accused, it was alleged, had been practising in Sholapur, Bombay Presidency, to hit a running car with a hand grenade as part of the plot to kill the Nizam, who escaped unhurt when a bomb was thrown at his car near his palace in Hyderabad on December 4.—Reuter.

Iraq Army Celebration

Baghdad, Jan. 6.

The Iraq Army today celebrated its 26th anniversary.

Shakir Alwadi, Minister of Defence, who left today for London with the Iraqi delegation for discussions on the revision of the Anglo-Iraqi treaty, said: "I assure the nation that Iraq has one of the best armies in the Middle East."

Mr. E. L. Busk, British Embassy Counsellor, acting as Ambassador, will leave soon for London in connection with the treaty talks. It was reliably understood that he will go on a strike here today after the Ministry of Education ordered the suspension of all studies in law colleges.

The trouble arose from a report that Dr. Fadl Jammal, the Iraqi Foreign Minister, had stated that criticism of the Anglo-Iraqi treaty was sheer party politics, while certain members of Parliament criticised the reported statement. The Prime Minister said: "I am unable to believe truth of this story."—Reuter.

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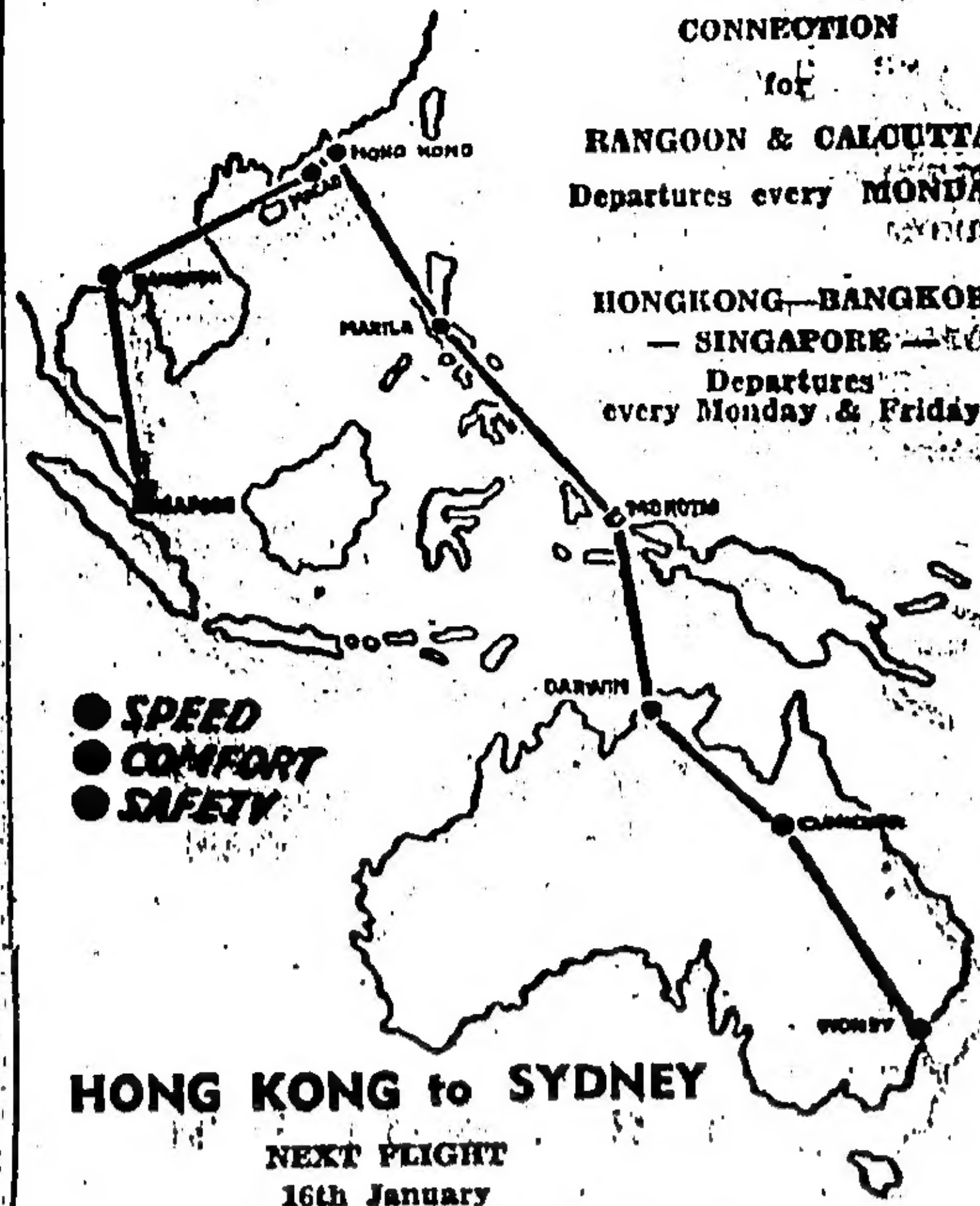
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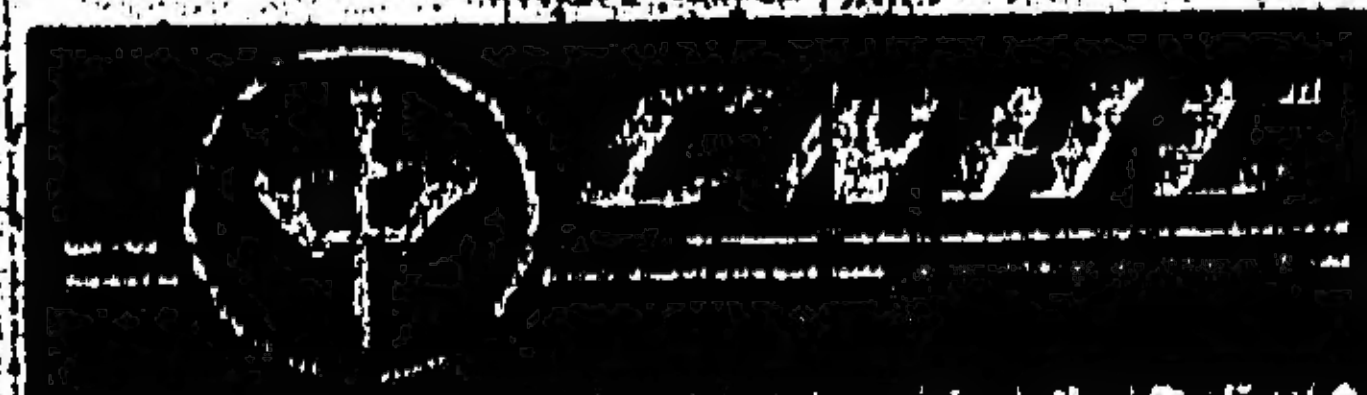
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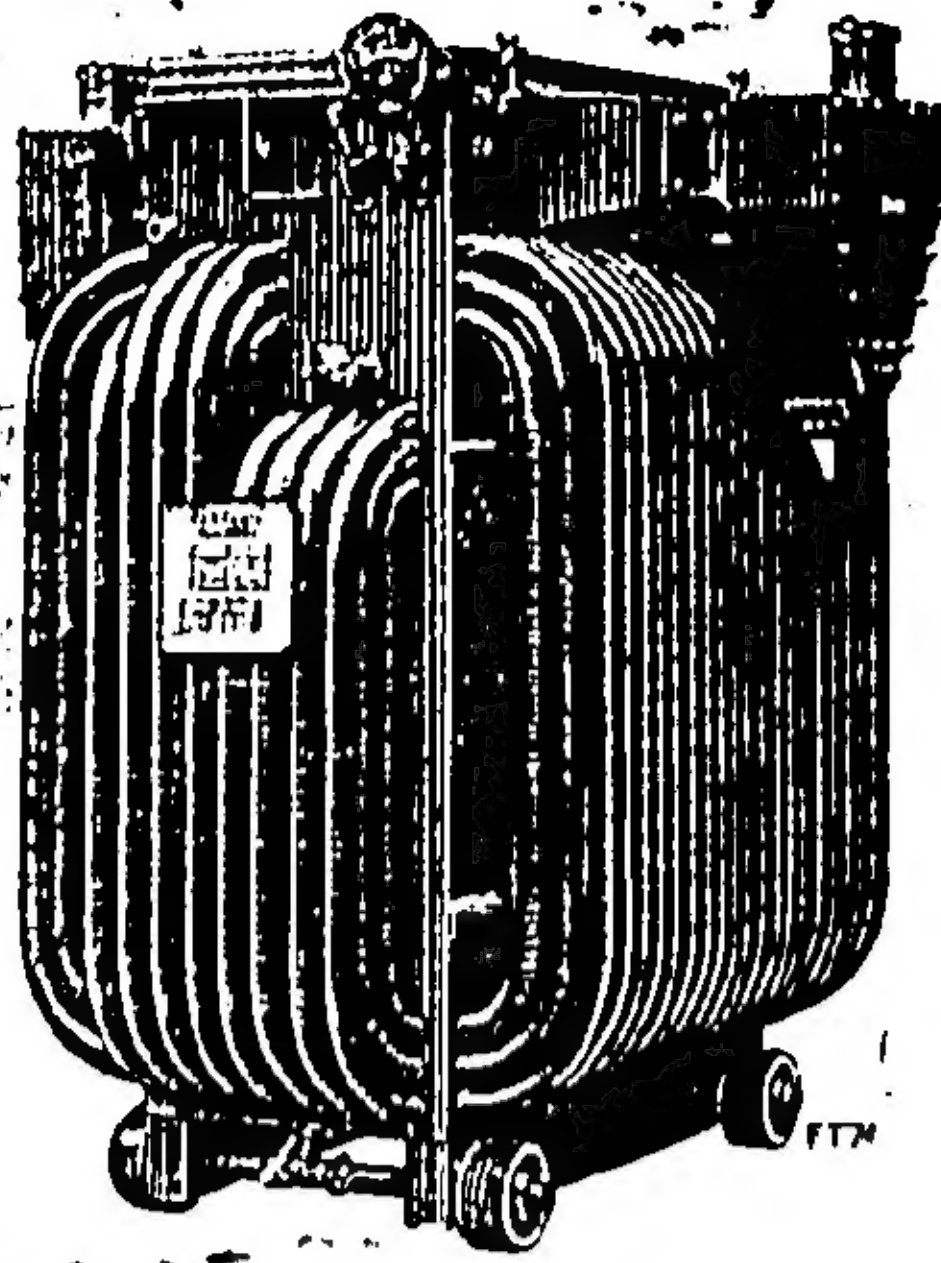


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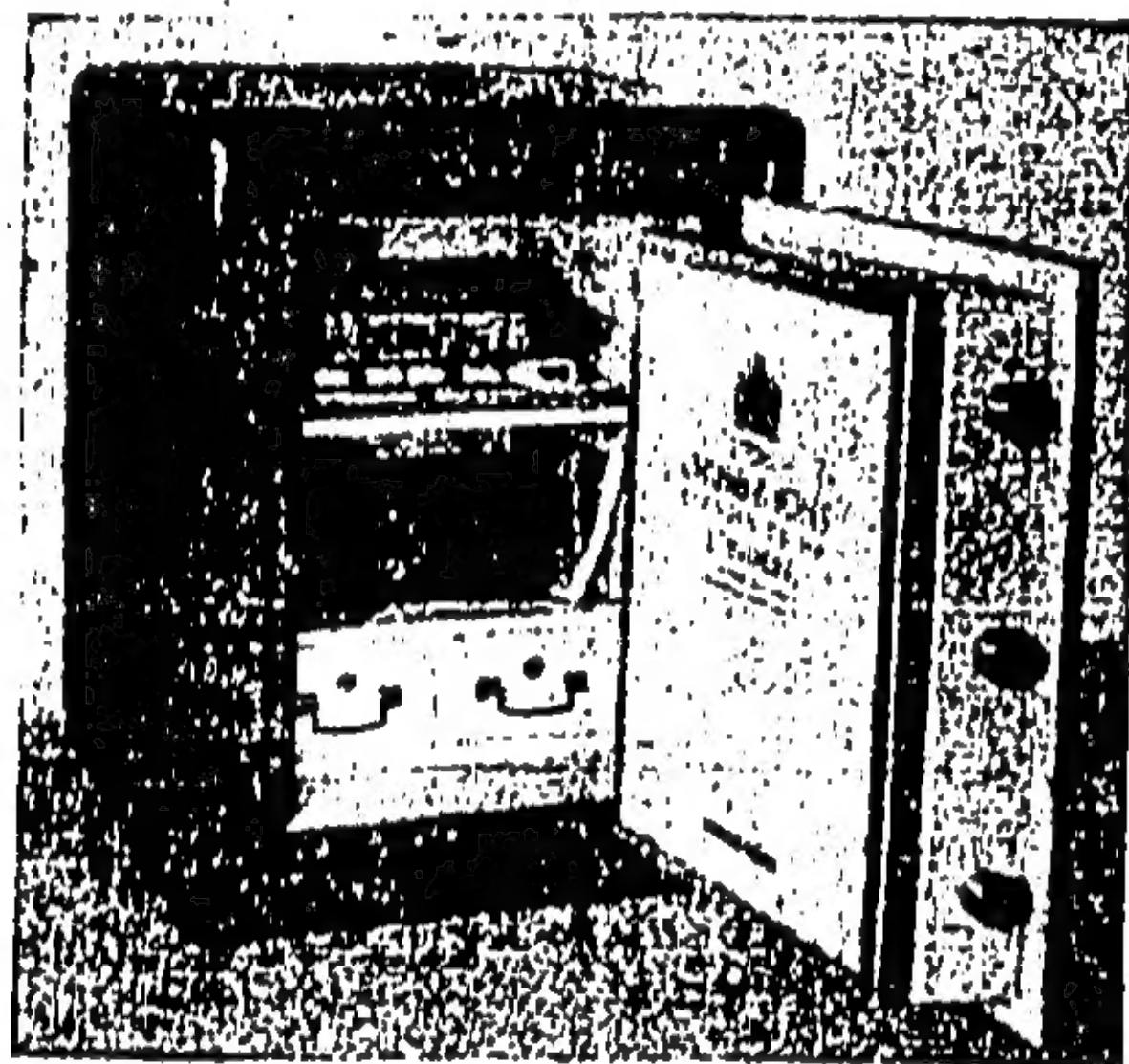


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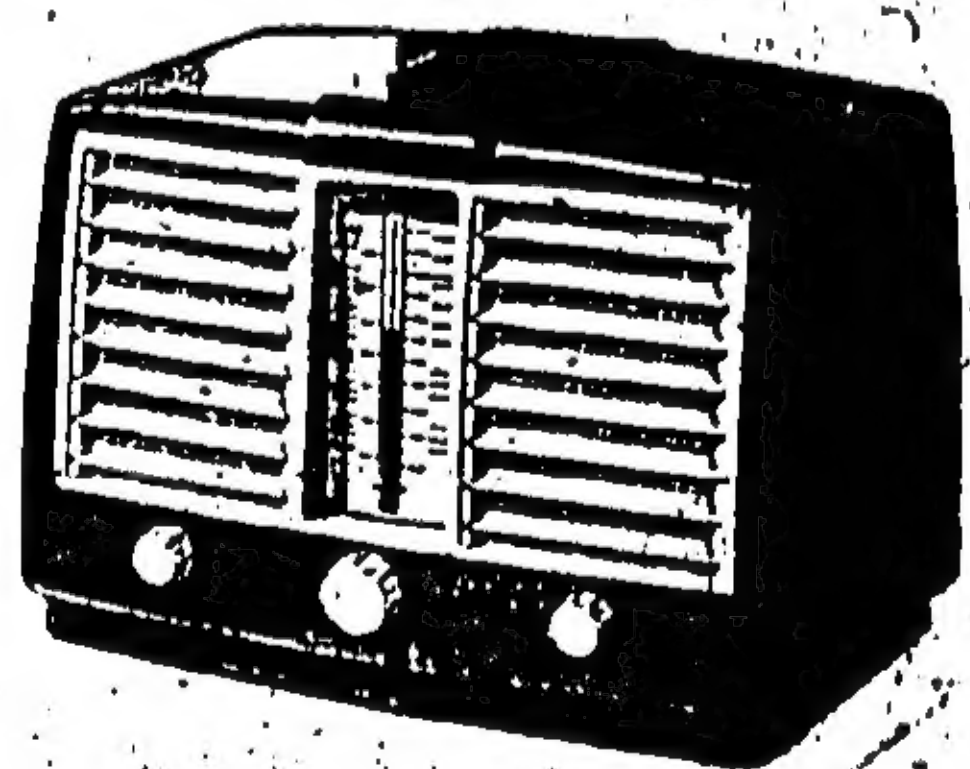
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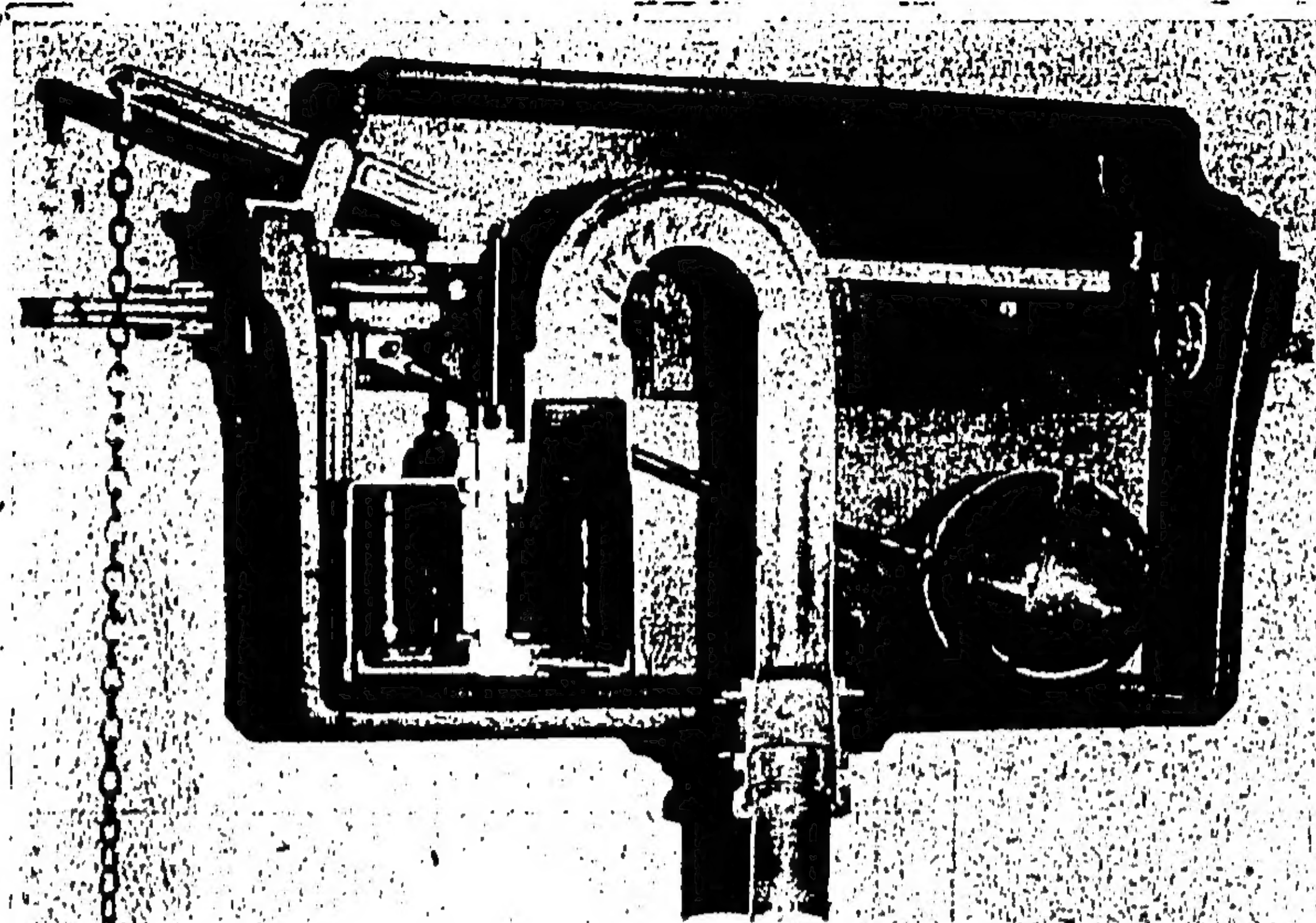
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SEEN AT OLYMPIA



Water-waste-preventer flushing cisterns in moulding plastic were on view during the Building Exhibition at Olympia. The new cisterns are reported to be silent, efficient, reliable and durable. The syphons and fittings are designed on sound engineering principles with all bearing surfaces accurately machined and discharge is practically inaudible. The syphon bodies are of non-corroding antimonial lead alloy and the piston rods are of brass. Both low-level and high-level cisterns have a capacity of three gallons.

Flexible Fuel Tank

Safety and fuel capacity in aircraft have been considerably increased by the development in Great Britain of a new type of flexible fuel tank. Evolved from the war-time need to bullet-proof the usual tanks, these fuel "cells" (as they are called) provided a high degree of protection against fire in crash or heavy landings, and allow maximum use of the space available for carrying fuel.

Marston Excelsior Ltd., a subsidiary of Imperial Chemical Industries Ltd., was responsible for the design of the cell, which is known as the "Marflex", and the combined research experience of no fewer than six I.C.I. Divisions went to the production of suitable materials for it.

The idea of constructing a flexible, non-metallic fuel tank goes back to the 1914-1918 war, but nearly twenty years passed before suitable material was found. This was "Neoprene" (a synthetic rubber manufactured by du Ponts in the United States), which was used by the Glenn L. Martin Co. of Baltimore in the development of their "Mareng" fuel cell—a tank so constructed that its surrounding supporting structure relieved the walls of the cell of all tension.

In 1940, the sole "Mareng"

manufacturing rights for Great Britain and other countries were acquired by I.C.I., who had been examining the potentialities of the flexible cell following their researches into the bullet-proofing of metal tanks.

In the early days of the war, self-sealing was mainly achieved by layers of solid natural rubber fixed to the outer wall of metal tanks. At first, I.C.I. concentrated on the development of a lighter and more efficient, cellular type of sponge rubber, and on a synthetic form of sponge when the natural product became scarce.

In 1940, with the acquisition of the rights of the American "Marone" cell, Marston Excelsior began experiments with flexible fuel tanks of "Neoprene"-coated fabric shaped on wooden frames, the material being made by the Leathercloth Division of I.C.I. A great deal of research was necessary to establish the best combination of fabric and "Neoprene". The result was "Neoprene T.F.I.", a material consisting of three plies of fabric and two layers of the synthetic rubber.

"Marflex"

This "Neoprene" flexible tank—christened "Marflex"—could be bullet-proofed with a lighter cover than metal tanks, and also gave greater protection against damage, such as might occur in a crash.

Production commenced in 1941, and considerable number of the early "Marflex" fuel cells were used with excellent results in service aircraft, particularly in certain types of "Spitfire". But further development was necessary. "Neoprene" had certain disadvantages for the work, and was also in great demand for other war purposes.

As an alternative, experiments were made with a synthetic resin, known as "Formvar", manufactured by the Shawinigan Company of Canada. The first samples, using single-ply fabric, proved with "Formvar"/"Discolin", were not altogether satisfactory, but I.C.I. Technicians successfully overcame these initial difficulties by employing a multi-ply fabric, TF23.

"Formvar"

The "Formvar"-proofed material, although quite satisfactory when new, did not, however, withstand the effect of prolonged service conditions, and lost flexibility. Further research led to a similar fabric, "Glyceryl", Adipate, which combined all the characteristics of the earlier material, with the advantage of longer service life and stability over a much wider temperature range.

This further "Marflex" cell, as a further stage of development, and by the end of the war they had been specified for such famous aircraft as the "Vampire", "Hurricane", "Spitfire", "Lancaster", "Barracuda", "Mustang", "P-51", "P-47", "P-48", "P-50", "P-52", "P-53", "P-54", "P-55", "P-56", "P-57", "P-58", "P-59", "P-60", "P-61", "P-62", "P-63", "P-64", "P-65", "P-66", "P-67", "P-68", "P-69", "P-70", "P-71", "P-72", "P-73", "P-74", "P-75", "P-76", "P-77", "P-78", "P-79", "P-80", "P-81", "P-82", "P-83", "P-84", "P-85", "P-86", "P-87", "P-88", "P-89", "P-90", "P-91", "P-92", "P-93", "P-94", "P-95", "P-96", "P-97", "P-98", "P-99", "P-100".

ELECTRICITY GRID TO DISAPPEAR

The electricity grid, with its thousands of pylons and miles of wire, which sometimes endangers aircraft and disfigure the countryside, may disappear in Britain.

British scientists have established that thousands of separate high-frequency radio currents could be made to flow in a copper pipe one and a half inches in diameter.

With "repeater" stations every 10 miles, it could replace the overhead system, carrying the 132,000 volt grid supply, thousands of telephone lines, and the B.B.C. relay circuits.

sealing tanks for amphibious and armoured vehicles, large capacity tanks for motor torpedo boats, transport tanks for carrying aviation fuel on rail trucks, and experimental tanks of many different types to meet special naval requirements. Land storage tanks, holding up to 2,500 gallons were also made, and some saw service on the Normandy beaches in the invasion operations of June 1944. When not in use, these tanks could be rolled up and were easy to transport.

Tailored

The material is "tailored" on to wooden formers—a method which lends itself to the speedy production of unusual shapes. The formers are so made that they can be completely dismantled after the tank has been built, and withdrawn through a hole made to receive one of the metal fittings.

During the early stages of development, it became apparent that the usual metal fittings were not satisfactory for the new tank and this led to the patenting of a special joint fitting and several other features.

"Marflex" cells are made to measure to fit individual requirements and will go into places inaccessible for a rigid tank. Their flexibility gives high protection against fire caused by bursting tanks in crash or heavy landings, and the range for civilian aircraft includes a cell specially insulated against crash damage by a layer of felt and fabric over the tank liner.

It is reported that the present tax on cars imported into Spain of 1,000 Pesetas per horsepower, with a maximum of 1,000 Pesetas for cars of 100 horsepower, has been reduced to 500 Pesetas for cars of 100 horsepower and below, and to 250 Pesetas for cars of 50 horsepower and below.

Tungsten Filament Lamp Holds Its Own

The tungsten filament lamp still holds an important place in lighting practice, for there are many tasks which it is not easy, or even possible, to perform by the use of any other known source. Typical of these applications is the motor car headlamp.

It will be remembered that American lamp designers evolved the sealed beam lamp in an effort to improve the performance of headlights. These lamps are of two types.

One is an all glass construction in which the filaments are mounted directly on the reflector, which together with the front glass forms a sealed envelope.

In the second type, a twin filament bulb is soldered into position in a metal reflector, which is then sealed on to a prismatic front glass. In both cases, the entire unit must be replaced if the filament burns out.

Pre-Focused

To avoid this wholesale scrapping while retaining the principal advantages of the new method, a pre-focused bulb has been developed by the G.E.C. in conjunction with J. Lucas & Co., Ltd. In these new lamps, the front glass and reflector are assembled as a unit which cannot be separated.

The bulb has a notched flange and thus locks into the correct position when inserted in the holder. This maintains the original beam performance when a replacement bulb is fitted so that no focusing device is required.

Since the bulb is fitted from the rear of the reflector, it is essential that the aperture through which it is inserted should be kept as small as possible. The bulb is therefore made cylindrical in shape so as to reduce its overall diameter to a minimum.

Range

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British Steel Exports

British steel exports to China show a drop during the months of October and November. The reason is that shipment of bridging material has had to be suspended during the period of UNRRA handing over, because the organisation is being wound up.

Shipment arrangements will now be made direct between the British and Chinese Governments. It is expected that the changeover will be completed by the middle of this month when the despatch of the remainder of the bridging will be resumed. Shipments will not again reach the tonnage recorded in August and September, for there only remains between 1,000 and 1,500 tons to complete the allotment made by Britain to UNRRA to assist China's reconstruction. It is expected that transportation will take about three months.

Problem

According to the British Iron and Steel Federation, the steel industry will have to face the problem next year of providing steel for the expansion of the "joint" using industries at home for the manufacture of machinery and other dollar earning exports.

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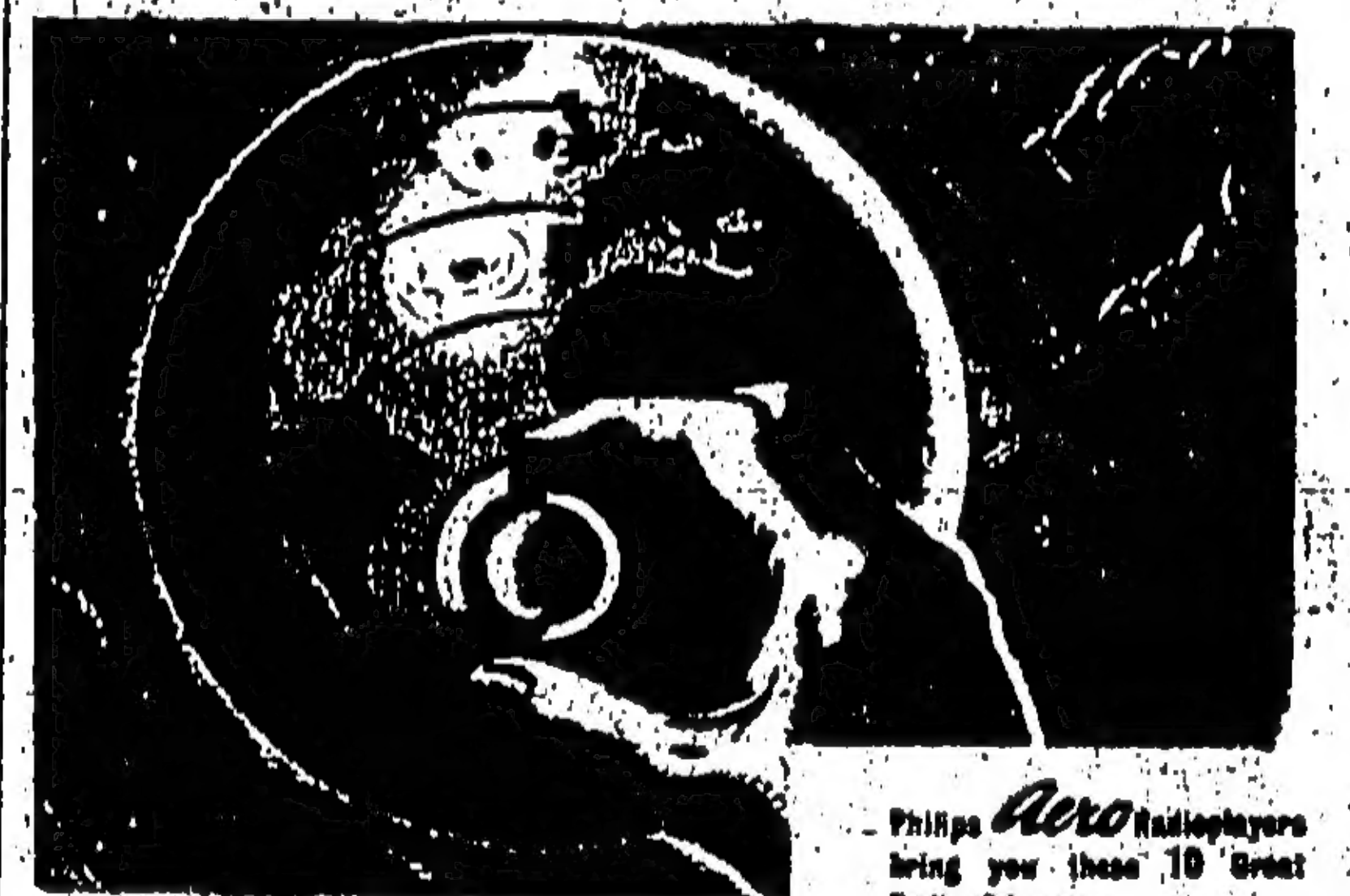
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KASHMIR ISSUE DELAYED
Adjournment
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Lake Success, Jan. 6.
When the United Nations Security Council opened its debate today on the dispute between India and Pakistan on the Kashmir issue, the President, M. Fernand Van Langenhove (Belgium) told the delegates that he had sent the following telegram in his name to both Governments:

"The Security Council is about to examine this case under Article 35 of the Charter. I take the liberty to address to both States an urgent appeal to abstain from all measures incompatible with the Charter which might worsen the situation and make the Security Council's work more difficult."

M. Langenhove said that the Council would have to decide whether to grant Pakistan's request for a postponement of the hearings. After taking their places at the semi-circular Council table, the Indian and Pakistan delegates received full rights to intervene in the debates, without a vote.

New Air
Service
For China

Nanking, Jan. 7.

CNRRA Air Transport directed by Major General Chennault will be reorganised as a civil air transport company, according to a highly responsible source close to the Ministry of Communications here.

The Chinese Central Government will have a controlling interest in the new company of holding 51 percent of the shares. The head office of the company will be established in Hankow under the direction of the Civil Communications Bureau of the National Government. CAT together with 70 planes under its command will continue to transport relief supplies and will also be licensed to carry passengers.

However, it was clearly emphasised that the new company will not compete with air routes already established by CNAC and CACT but will open new routes. The agreement has already been signed, according to one source, and will become operative when passed by the Executive Yuan.—Reuter.

New York Gold
Market

New York, Jan. 6.
New York's gold market is likely to vanish shortly. Leading bullion brokers told Reuter that the Treasury's latest ruling on export sales is so strict that further trading at present is impossible for American nationals or by foreigners in the United States.

"We are ready to close up shop," a prominent broker declared. Following the latest United States tightening of gold sales, it is feared here that Britain has resumed export licences of 22-ounce and that upwards of 25,000 ounces are scheduled to be exported from Britain this week. It is generally believed, however, that the new British export licences will probably only be issued against applications which are definitely on the books when Britain tightened her licences last week.—Reuter.

U.S. Trade
Prediction

Washington, Jan. 6.
Commerce Department officials today predicted that United States exports this year will be about \$1,000,000,000, lower than last year, even if Congress grants the full \$1,000,000,000 appropriation for the first year of the European Recovery Programme. Experts in the Department's Office of International Trade say textile exports will suffer most heavily. The Marshall programme calls for little aid in this field.

There is a possibility that non-European areas will take up some of the slack of diminished textile exports.—United Press.

DEVALUATION
DENIAL

Karachi, Jan. 6.
Mr. Jinnah, leader of the British financial delegation to India and Pakistan for setting up a commission to study the devaluation of the rupee, today denied reports that he had suggested a 50 per cent devaluation of the rupee.

Shanghai
Police Raid

Shanghai, Jan. 7.
Shanghai's economic police last night raided two alleged underground radio stations which had been broadcasting blackmarket gold and foreign exchange quotations to Hong Kong.

They discovered no radio transmitters but instead found 36 gold bars, over HK\$10,000 and a number of secret cables from a person named Li-chun.—Reuter.

Anglo-Danish
Trade Talks

London, Jan. 6.

Anglo-Danish trade talks, which broke down last September, were re-opened here today when members of the two delegations met at the Treasury.

Both delegations were hopeful about the outcome of the talks.

Trade relations as a whole and the international monetary situation are being examined and it was expected that after today's full meeting, a number of "working parties" would be set up in which the British and Danish experts would study the various aspects of trade between the two countries and report back to another plenary meeting.

The talks may last two weeks before any final agreements are reached. Danish farmers have sent their own representatives to the talks to negotiate on prices of their butter and bacon.—Reuter.

American
Tin
Proposal

Washington, Jan. 6.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation has recommended the continued operation of the Texas City tin smelter by private industry with some form of Government subsidy, as a defence measure.

The plant was built on plans smuggled out of Holland and started operations in 1942 when the Germans and Japanese were taking over smelters and tin ore sources in Holland, Africa, Malaya and the Dutch East Indies.

It is the only tin smelter in the United States. During the war it supplied 50 percent of US needs and in 1946 produced 70 percent.

A report to Congress said the RFC believes that a domestic tin smelting industry is important for national defence, particularly during the next five to 10 years, the estimated time required to accumulate an adequate supply of tin metal in permanent stockpiles.

The RFC said the subsidy could take the form of a purchase and sale arrangement for tin concentrates or tin metal whereby a Government agency would absorb any loss, or it could involve a direct subsidy payment per pound of tin produced. Or it could be in the form of an import duty on tin metal with tin ores admitted duty free.

By the end of 1949 or in 1950, the US should again be able to fill its tin metal requirements from foreign smelters.—Associated Press.

Lord Killearn's
Warning

Singapore, Jan. 6.

A warning that rice allocations for this year, announced by the International Emergency Food Council in Washington, might not be completely fulfilled, was given by Lord Killearn, the Special Commissioner for South-East Asia, here today.

Britain was due to receive 24,300 tons of rice under the Council's allocations.

Addressing South-East Asia liaison officers in a conference, Lord Killearn said that, since the last conference, Burma, Siam and Malaya, with the help of purchase in the Philippines, had kept their shipments well up to schedule, but the Netherlands East Indies had received no allocations from the United States or Brazil and had reached a "position of some desperation".

Calling attention to the Food Council's decision to reopen the European market for rice, Lord Killearn said that rice producers maintained that it would give them greater incentive to increase their supplies to rice-eating countries. In any case, the Food Council would judge the success of the experiment by the extra rice made available to those countries, he added.—Reuter.

Tin Prices
Increased

London, Jan. 6.

The Ministry of Supply announced today the second increase in a month in domestic and export tin prices.

It said an adjustment was necessary as a consequence of the new Bolivian quotations and to increase the purchase price of Nigerian ore. It did not include the Malayan products.

This led authoritative sources to predict that Malayan producers will criticise the decision on the basis of the assurances given recently by Arthur Creech Jones, British Colonial Secretary, that the present price for Malayan tin could be reviewed when found inadequate.

The price for Nigerian ore was increased from \$477 to \$485, 10 shillings a ton, free alongside Nigerian ports. A month ago, the price had been increased by \$71 a ton but at the time the Malayan product was also increased by \$77 to \$480.

Ministry of Supply officials said they were not prepared to predict whether Malayan prices would be changed in the near future.—Associated Press.

Japan Trade
Facilities

New York, Jan. 6.

A Foreign Trade office to facilitate commerce with Japan has opened here, with Peter McDermott, Chief of the Foreign Trade Division of the Allied Powers, in charge.

Alvin Barber, deputy chief of the new office, said present plans for the office arrangement include a display room where prospective customers may see Japanese products. The immediate efforts of the office will be confined to sale of cotton goods and both raw and spinned silks. There are no present plans to display other Japanese goods. Barber said this might be done later if sufficient requests are made by American businessmen.—United Press.

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"OZARDA"	Shanghai	24th Jan.
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"OZARDA"	Shanghai	12th Jan.
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"TREVETHOE"	U.K. via Straits	27th Jan.
"CANTON"	U.K. via Straits	23rd Feb.
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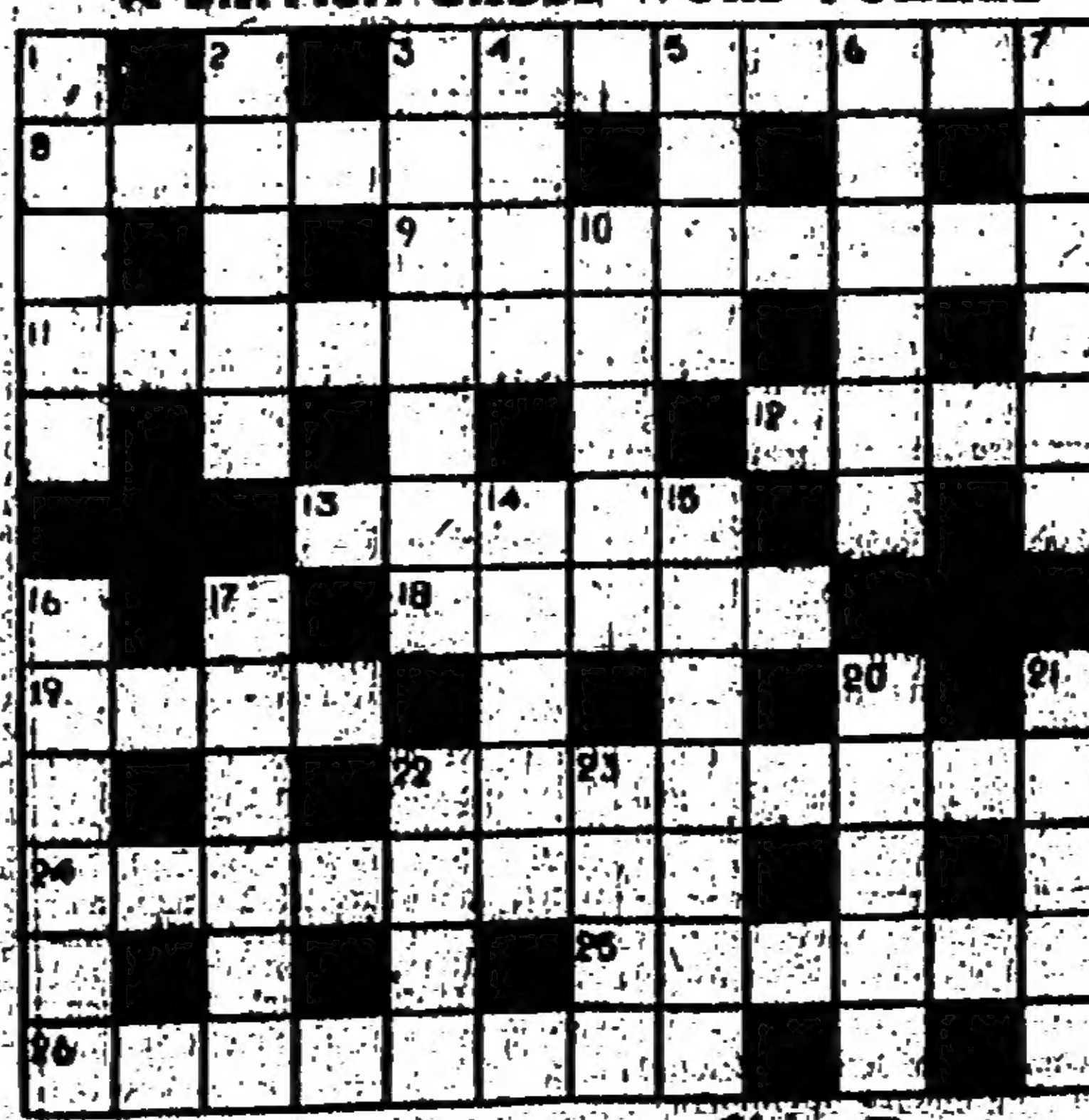
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The Commission's Recommendations

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Apart from the quiet firmness in gilt-edged with new Transport stock at 97%, the rest of the stock markets were dull and visibly affected by political uncertainties. Leading industries were all marked lower, with Turner and Newall leading, with 7/8. Breweries and tobacco also shared losses whilst oil shares were decidedly dull.

Foreign bonds were quietly steady with some support in French sterling loans, whilst Greek issues showed small improvements. Foreign rails remained steady to firm, but this section is still awaiting news regarding the takeover decision. Today's quotations—

SECURITIES
British Consols, 1945/78 81 3/4
Conversion Loan, 1945/78 105 1/2
Funding Loan, 1945/78 112 1/2
War Loan, 1945/78 102 1/2
Victory Bonds, 4% 113 1/2
INDUSTRIALS
Portland Cement Co. 72 3/4
B.A.T. Co. ord. 61 1/2
British Celanese ord. 24 1/2
Carreras Ltd. "A" ord. 6 1/2
L. & P. Co. ord. 70 1/2
Courtauld, ord. 44 1/2
Dunlop Rubber Co. ord. 70 1/2
Imperial Chemical Industries 50 1/2
Imperial Tobacco Co. 52 1/2
Lever Bros. ord. 53 1/2
Vickers Ltd. 29 1/2
RUBBER SHARES
Anglo-Dutch Plantation 14 1/2
Gula Kalumpung 20 1/2
Rubber Plantation Investment 24 1/2
MINES
Burmah Corp. 67 1/2
Crown Mines 4 1/2
Nanyang Mines 11 1/2
Rand Mines 8 1/2
Spring Mines 8 1/2
Tany Tin Co. 3 1/2
Union Corporation 27 1/2
OIL SHARES
Anglo-Iranian Co. ord. 178 1/2
Burmah Oil Co. ord. 74 1/2
Mexican Eagle Oil Co. 16 1/2
Royal Dutch 19 1/2
Shell Transport Co. 3 1/2
SHIPPING
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FOREIGN BONDS
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Chartered Bank of I.A. & C. 11 1/2
H.K. & Shanghai Banking Corp. 12 1/2
Mercantile Bank 21 1/2
-Neutral-

RUBBER PRICES
New York, Jan. 7.
Rubber closed 41 to 55 lower. Sales were 15 contracts. March 22 1/2, May 21 1/2 nominal, July 20 1/2, September 20 1/2 nominal.
No. 1 ribbed smoked sheets 22 1/2 nominal—Associated Press.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
CONSIGNEES PER CANADA ASIATIC LINES LTD.
S.S. "CLIFFSIDE"
are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's godown where it will be at consignees risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on 12th January.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamers' godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 10th January, 1948 will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 23rd January, 1948, or they will not be recognized.

No fire insurance will be effected.
DODWELL & CO. LTD.
Agents
Hongkong, 24 January, 1948.

That part of the Salaries Report which refers to the Education Department recommends substantial increases for locally engaged teaching staff.

The Commission says:
In framing our recommendations for the Education Department we have divided the teaching staff into four categories—
(i) uncertificated teachers;
(ii) certificated teachers who have successfully completed a teachers' training college course but who are not university graduates;
(iii) teachers who are university graduates and have successfully completed a teachers' training course or obtained a diploma in education;
(iv) qualified graduate teachers who have in addition had a period of valuable teaching experience.

Seven Year Scales
We understand that Government is not at the moment employing officers of the first category, but we have recommended rates of pay for uncertificated teachers, since we are informed that such teachers are employed in grant-aided schools in which salaries are paid according to Government scales. We recommend for certificated teachers a seven year scale rising in the case of men from \$3,600 per annum to \$5,100 per annum and from \$2,880 per annum to \$4,080 per annum in the case of women. We propose that local graduate teachers should be called assistant masters or assistant mistresses and that they should be on a ten year scale commencing at \$5,400 per annum for assistant masters and \$4,320 per annum for assistant mistresses. We recommend that men and women with higher qualifications, valuable experience or special aptitude should be promoted at any point to the grade of master or mistress. Ordinarily promotion to the grade of master or mistress should be dependent upon the passing of an efficiency bar.

Candidates recruited from overseas would be expected to possess not only the necessary academic qualifications but also teaching experience. Certificated teachers should be able on passing an efficiency bar to proceed on the same scale as assistant masters or mistresses but should not go beyond the maximum of that grade.

Places Of Refuge!
We recommend that senior masters and mistresses should be appointed by selection and that this grade should in future be regarded as a probation grade for officer who will eventually rise higher in the Department and not as a place of refuge for senior officers who will never proceed any further. For inspectors of vernacular schools we recommend a scale commencing three increments above the grade.

Notice To Consignees
Waterman Steamship Corporation
S.S. "FAIRPORT"
Having arrived Hongkong consignees of cargo are hereby notified that all goods have been landed and placed at their risk and expense into the godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd. where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns.
All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godown where they will be examined in the presence of Messrs. Goddard & Douglas on the 8th January, 1948 at 10 a.m.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when examining damaged dutiable goods.

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No fire insurance will be effected.
DODWELL & CO. LTD.
Agents
Hongkong, 24 January, 1948.

There was only a small turnover with quotations limited to the early side.
H.K. GOVT. LOANS
4% Loan 101 1/2
2 1/2% Loan 101 1/2
BANKS
H.K. & S. Bank 20 1/2, 20 1/2
H.K. (Lon. Reg.) 211 1/2
Chartered Bank 211 1/2
Mercantile Bank 211 1/2
Bank of East Asia 121 1/2
INSURANCES
Canton Ins. 370 1/2, 370 1/2
Union Ins. 770 1/2, 770 1/2
China Underwriters 640 1/2
H.K. Fire 120 1/2
SHIPPING
Douglas 210 1/2
H.K. & M. Steamboats 14 1/2
Indo China (Post) 100 1/2
Indo China (Post) 100 1/2
Shells (Baker) 75 1/2
U. Waterboats (Old) 48 1/2
U. Waterboats (New) 48 1/2
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.
H.K. & S. Wharves (Old) 125 1/2
H.K. (N. P. F.) 145 1/2
H.K. (N. P. F.) 145 1/2
H.K. Docks 35 1/2, 35 1/2
China Provident 17 1/2, 17 1/2
Shai Dockyard 17 1/2
MINING
Rauk Mines 5 1/2
H.K. Mines 5 1/2
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.
H. & S. Hotels 24 1/2, 24 1/2
H.K. Lands (Old) 5 1/2
H.K. Lands (New) 5 1/2
Shai Lands 4 1/2, 4 1/2
Humphreys Estates 20 1/2
H.K. Real Estate 12 1/2
PUBLIC UTILITIES
H.K. Tramways 24 1/2, 24 1/2
Peak Tram (New) 5 1/2
Star Ferry 12 1/2
Yau Ma Tei Ferry 20 1/2
C. Light (Old) 20 1/2, 20 1/2
C. Light (New) 20 1/2, 20 1/2
H.K. Electric (Old) 14 1/2, 14 1/2
H.K. Electric (New) 14 1/2
Macao Electric 3 1/2
Sundown Lights 10 1/2
Telephone (Old) 3 1/2, 40 1/2, 40 1/2
Telephone (New) 3 1/2
INDUSTRIALS
Gold. Macg. (Ord.) 20 1/2
Gold. Macg. (Pref.) 6 1/2
Canton Iron Ind. 12 1/2
Cement (Old) 2 1/2
Cement (New) 2 1/2
H.K. Ropes 2 1/2
STORES
Daily Farms (K. Reg.) 11 1/2, 11 1/2
Daily Farms Rights 40 1/2
Watson 6 1/2
Lane, Crawford 5 1/2
Bureau 7 1/2, 8 1/2
China Importers 12 1/2
Kwang Sang Hong 20 1/2
Wing On (H.K.) 110 1/2
Wm. Powell, Ltd. 12 1/2
MISCELLANEOUS
China Entertainment 7 1/2
H.K. Constructions (Old) 5 1/2
H.K. Constructions (New) 5 1/2
Vibro Piling 5 1/2
Marsman Investment 12 1/2
Marman (H.K.) 3 1/2
COTTONS
Lyon 18 1/2, 18 1/2

Future Policy
We recommend that workshop the policy should be to recruit men and women who have qualified at the Northcote Training College in other subjects as well as physical training, so that their usefulness will not be limited to the period during which they are capable of giving physical training instruction. An opportunity occurs, we recommend that serving physical training instructors should be given a course at Government expense at the Northcote Training College to equip them to teach in other subjects. We recommend that the physical training supervisor should on reaching the maximum of the time scale, for masters be eligible to be considered for promotion to the grade of senior master.

We recommend that workshop instructors at the Trade School should be on the same rates of pay as uncertificated teachers until they obtain a teachers' training certificate. If they qualify as teachers, we recommend for them the same scales of pay as for certificated teachers.

Money Market
Gold had a hectic day of ups and downs yesterday with fluctuations ranging from \$310.50 to \$323. A tael.
Opening at \$315 it climbed to \$323, the peak rate of the day. It then reversed trend and between ups and downs dropped to \$310.50. It then recovered and by closing time climbed back to \$323.50.
Pistones opened at \$11.70 a 100 and climbed to \$12.05.
Chinese National Currency was nominal throughout the day at 20 1/2 cts. for futures and 20 1/2 cts. for spot (for CN\$10.000).
Ticals eased off slightly to \$27.00, as also NEI Guilders to \$27.70 a 100.
U.S. dollars also were easier at \$4.91 1/2. Sterling firmed up slightly to \$18.43. Australian pounds were unchanged at \$12.51.

BANGKOK GOLD
Bangkok, Jan. 6.
Gold, Bar, per bahweight of 15.244 grammes. 457 ticals 415 ticals—Reuters.

Notice To Consignees
S.S. "EMPIRE WITHAM"
From Straits & Calcutta
Arrived 6th January, 1948.

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed in the premises of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd. between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 noon on Saturday 10th January, 1948. Consignees are advised to have their Representatives present during the Survey.

Consignees are warned that claims for damage or shortage may not be accepted if the damage is not surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of Consignees' Representatives at this appointed time.

JARDINE MATHESON & CO. LTD.
General Managers
Lido Club, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

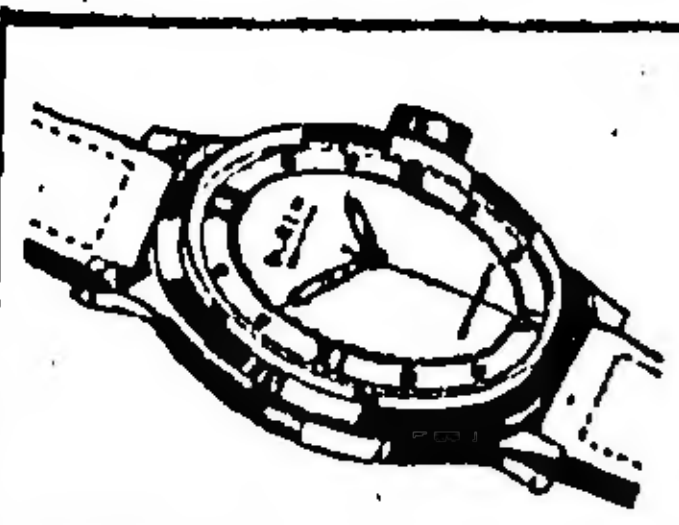
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SS "Marine Swallow" (via Shanghai & Yokohama) Jan. 18
SS "President Cleveland" (via Shanghai, Yokohama & Honolulu) Jan. 20
SS "General Gordon" (via Manila & Honolulu) Jan. 21
SS "General Meigs" (via Shanghai, Yokohama & Honolulu) Feb. 15

TO SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES
SS "Arcadia Victory" (via Manila & Cebu) Jan. 11
SS "Hannibal Victory" (via Honolulu) Jan. 12
SS "President Pierce" (S. F. Direct) Jan. 14
SS "Clovis Victory" (via Manila and Cebu) Jan. 19
SS "President McKinley" (via Shanghai & Yokohama) Jan. 23

TO NEW YORK AND HAVANA VIA MANILA, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, COCHIN, BOMBAY, SUEZ AND MEDITERRANEAN PORTS
SS "Marine Flier" Jan. 11
SS "President Folk" Jan. 20
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SHANGHAI TO SEND SOCCER TEAM TO H.K.

(By Rover)

Shanghai has definitely decided to send a soccer team to Hong Kong during the Chinese New Year holidays for an Interport Series, as the result of a meeting of the Shanghai Athletic Federation.

The Interport game will be played on Feb. 10, and Shanghai will meet a Combined Chinese team on the following day. A third game will be played against the Combined Non-Chinese side.

The Interport game will be on the basis of the arrangements made between the two ports in pre-war days. The visiting team will defray its own travelling expenses and Hong Kong will be responsible for board, lodging and entertainment during their stay here.

There will be no division of gate receipts. All proceeds of the games will go to the Hong Kong Football Association.

District trials for the selection of the Chinese Olympic Soccer team will be held from Jan. 24 to Feb. 1, in Shanghai.

North, East, West and Central China will take part in the trials. The finals try-out will be held in Hong Kong after the Chinese New Year, when the Hong Kong Chinese stars will take part.

Sing Tao—Kit Chee Game

Cancellation of the important First Division football game between Sing Tao and Kit Chee at the last moment on Sunday was a disappointment to many followers of the game, as both these teams are in the running for the Senior title.

There was obviously a slip-up in police arrangements which caused the game to be postponed and this is a matter for the Association to look into. It is an open secret that the two Clubs are very closely associated and it is most desirable that the game be played off as soon as possible.

It will be recalled that the Association insisted on South China, when they had two teams in the Senior League, to play their games at the start of the season so that there could be no giving away of needed points later in the season.

Incidentally, a vernacular press report hinted on Tuesday, at the possibility of the game being postponed.

F.A. Should Take Action

The New Year game on the Club ground did not produce the standard of football expected, though the spectators were treated to a sporting game.

Several last minute changes had to be made in both teams, of which the most astonishing was the inclusion of Brogan, a referee, but unregistered as a player, on the left wing for

It's Just The Weather



There may be a nip in the Hong Kong air but it's surfing time now Down Under. Here is just one glimpse from Australian beaches. Mutual sunburn aid is undertaken by Norma Weston and Judith Farnell, at Bondi, Sydney. Judith places her trust in zinc ointment even if the "corroboree" effect is startling.

SALARIES COMMISSION:

4-Year Tour Of Duty Supported

(Continued from Page 2)

The only representation on this matter that we received related rather to the form than to the operation of the sick leave rules. It was represented that a man suffering from a slow growing disease is left uncertain by the terms to which the rules are framed whether he will get ample sick leave to give him a chance of complete recovery and that this uncertainty might be a factor in retarding a cure. It was not alleged that the rules had ever been applied in a way that justified any fear; in fact the evidence we received showed that the Government was accustomed to interpret them liberally. If the rules were redrafted in the sense suggested it would involve no change in Government practice, and therefore we suggest that a revision might be considered.

We are of opinion that the sick leave rules should contain special provision for officers suffering from tuberculosis, a disease of wide incidence in Hong Kong. Government servants are at present accommodated for long periods of curative treatment in the Queen Mary Hospital, a general hospital, with the result that their accommodation and resources are strained. We should welcome an ample provision of sanatorium accommodation for Government servants and for the public generally. Meantime we consider that a man should be assured that his sick leave will be terminated only if it is found necessary to invalid him out of the service.

Local Leave

Evidence showed how relatively little men have been accustomed to take advantage of short annual leave. Hong Kong is not well placed. To escape from summer heat and humidity an officer has had to travel to Japan, to distant places in China, to the Philippines or to Indo-China, at great expense and frequently with a good deal of discomfort. At present few of these places are accessible. Short leave spent in Hong Kong is hardly more than extended absence from office duty; which in itself is not commonly of much profit to mind or body. There are administrative difficulties against releasing more than a fraction of the officers who may wish to take leave at the time of the year at which the leave most profitably can be taken. Further we had evidence that there is a tendency to regard the man who uses his annual leave for the purpose for which it was given as selfish because he leaves some other person to do his work, a point of view equally irrational and vicious. It is

the public interest that officers should take local leave: the provision is ample: our only recommendation is that, on conditions in the area improve, officers should be encouraged to take the local leave due to them.

Sick Leave

We do not recommend any fundamental changes in the rules governing the provision of leave. Some amendment to General Order 197 (2) will be required as the result of the revision of salaries. We recommend that expatriate officers should be allowed to opt in ordinary circumstances whether to travel by sea or air when proceeding on or returning from home leave, but that air travel should not be compulsory unless in any particular case it is necessitated by the exigencies of the service.

Age Of Retirement

We favour the idea that Government should have power to call upon any officer to retire at 45 years of age or thereafter and that officers should have the right of voluntary retirement at or after that age; but our approval is qualified by our inability to gauge what this change would cost the Colony or what measure of dislocation of the public service would result if many officers made use of their right. It is possible that the latter difficulty might be obviated by prescribing that officers wishing to retire at 45 should give at least three years' notice of their intentions.

Superannuation Schemes

We have discussed the possibility of the substitution of the present pension system of a superannuation scheme similar to the Federated Superannuation System for Universities in the United Kingdom but until further details are known of the scheme which is being worked out by the Colonial Office we can make no recommendation. We consider that the possibility of introducing a superannuation scheme for staff at present drawing basic salaries of less than \$420 per annum who now come under the provisions of Pension Regulations C might with advantage be investigated.

(Widows And Orphans) Pension Scheme

We understand that an investigation into the Widows and Orphans Pension Scheme had been commenced during the war. We are of the opinion that this investigation should be completed in view of the fact that we believe that the present benefits paid by the scheme are maintained only by reason of an unduly high public

BRITISH TROOPS IN GREECE MAY BE REINFORCED

London, Jan. 7.

Important cabinet discussions on overall revision of the British foreign policy are scheduled to begin on Thursday and informed sources said today that these talks may produce a decision to reinforce the British troops stationed in Greece.

The gravest view is taken in official London dispatches stating that Greek rebel artillery is shelling government troops from Albanian soil.

If this news is officially confirmed the position of the Leftwing of the British Labour Party may be weakened that the government would be able to disregard their demands for evacuation of British troops from Greece.

The decision to bolster the 5,000 British troops now in Greece would materially lessen the logistical problem posed by the decision to withdraw from Palestine — if the cabinet can see its way clear to authorize such a transfer.

The "Daily Graphic" reported today that "preparations are being made in Athens for the possible reception of extra (British) forces."

Meanwhile, it appeared that the future of Britain's vast store of munitions and war material in Palestine would play an important part in the Anglo-Israeli treaty talks slated to begin here today.

Whitehall quarters reported that the defence committee of the cabinet had prepared suggestions for relocating Britain's Middle Eastern military headquarters following the withdrawal from Palestine and the evacuation of the Suez Canal zone which Egypt will demand in any new treaty negotiations.

Diversion

Meanwhile, an Athens despatch reported that a Greek Government statement stated today that to speed the implementation of the new military programme, US\$300,000,000, already allocated for rehabilitation purposes, would be diverted to expenditure on the Greek Army.

It was expected that the diverted money would be replaced shortly by the United States, although an abridgement of the disposal period for American aid from 18 months to 12 months would considerably ease the financial position.

The statement added that the National Guard would be strengthened from 40 battalions to 100 battalions, 30,000 strong, and would assume "active duties in parisoning towns to allow Army contingents to join the operational forces in the fight against the guerrillas."

(News from the United States last night disclosed that 1,000 United States Marines had sailed from Morehead City, North Carolina, for the Mediterranean, a day ahead of schedule. They were earlier reported to be joining the 45,000-ton aircraft carrier, Midway, and three 10,000-ton cruisers, one of which was reported to be at the Piraeus, the port of Athens.)

Major General William G. Livesey, Chief of the Military Section of the United States Aid Mission to Greece arrived in Greece from the United States today. — United Press and Reuter.

Tokyo War Crimes Trial Loses Its Tension

Tokyo, Jan. 7. With Hideki Tojo's stepping out from the witness box and the appearance of the next defendant, the law among the Tokyo war crimes trial seemed suddenly today to lose its tension.

The Press gallery quickly emptied. At this afternoon's session several of the lawyers and a few among the defendants appeared to be dozing.

There was a general sense that an important chapter had been finished in the proceedings. Wrinkled Buddha-like former Gen. Toshiro Nishio, one-time Vice-Chief of General Staff of the Japanese Army, sat in the witness box which Tojo vacated.

Earlier, Tojo, under direct examination from the Military Tribunal for the Far East, admitted that he had been in the Japanese Army, and that he had been a member of the Imperial Japanese Army.

Walt Disney Films Booming

Hollywood, Jan. 7. While most of the studios watched their profits drop off, Walt Disney productions boosted 1947 earnings more than 50 per cent. President R. O. Disney told stockholders that the company's profits for the year ended September 30, 1947, were \$1,000,000, compared with \$600,000 for the year ended September 30, 1946. — United Press and Reuter.

Oxford Boat Race Crew At Practice

London, Jan. 6.

Oxford University's boat crew impressed in their first practice on the river Isis today in preparation for the annual boat race from Putney to Mortlake on March 27.

The crew expect to go to Henley in the middle of February, and will probably make their first appearance on the Thames on March 8 or the following day.

During practices they are using the boat which the successful Oxford crew used in 1937 and 1938, and for the actual race they will probably have one of the new boats being built for the Olympic Games.

The average weight of the crew as at present constituted is 12 stone 12 pounds, and there are four old Blues.

Cambridge also began practice today under the supervision of Wing Commander F. Hellyer, an Old Blue. — Reuter.

Gold Smuggler Was A Little Too Ingenious

"The ingenuity of these people," was commented upon by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday when Revenue Officer L. G. Millington showed the Court the method adopted by Chen Yuen-nan of 149 Lockhart Road, ground floor, to conceal 12 gold bars, valued at \$19,000, in a suit case.

Chen booked for Swatow by CATC plane scheduled to leave Kai Tak on Jan. 6.

When asked whether he had anything to declare, Chen replied in the negative.

Again asked, with gold specifically mentioned, again he replied in the negative. The Revenue Officer opened the suitcase and, inside the hollow between the "bones" of the suitcase and a piece of wood specially nailed on the gold was found. Chen's bail of \$500 was ordered to be forfeited on his failure to appear and the gold bars were ordered to be confiscated.

FRUSTRATED

Fun Kai, 25, of 103 Des Voeux Road West, allegedly attempted to jump off the ferry "Man Kiu" while it was on its way from Shamshuipo to Hong Kong about 8 p.m. yesterday. He was stopped by a "dock" collector and later handed over to the Police.

MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS IN COURT

When Wong Tai Shu failed to answer a summons at the Central Magistracy yesterday, a warrant was issued for his arrest.

Wong, should have appeared with To Mei, Wong Kai Lam, and Shum Lam Chor on two summonses of (a) failing to furnish particulars of the "Pacific Ocean Magazine" to the S.C.A. and (b) publishing and assisting to distribute the "Pacific Ocean Magazine," which failed to comply with the requirements of the Printers and Publishers Ordinance.

First defendant was charged owing to insufficient evidence. Wong Kai Lam was fined \$100 on each summons and third defendant was fined \$250 with the option of three months' hard labour.

Wong C. T. Byrnes, prosecutor, filed and published for the "Pacific Ocean Magazine" at the Hong Kong Press, 111, 113, 115, 117, 119, 121, 123, 125, 127, 129, 131, 133, 135, 137, 139, 141, 143, 145, 147, 149, 151, 153, 155, 157, 159, 161, 163, 165, 167, 169, 171, 173, 175, 177, 179, 181, 183, 185, 187, 189, 191, 193, 195, 197, 199, 201, 203, 205, 207, 209, 211, 213, 215, 217, 219, 221, 223, 225, 227, 229, 231, 233, 235, 237, 239, 241, 243, 245, 247, 249, 251, 253, 255, 257, 259, 261, 263, 265, 267, 269, 271, 273, 275, 277, 279, 281, 283, 285, 287, 289, 291, 293, 295, 297, 299, 301, 303, 305, 307, 309, 311, 313, 315, 317, 319, 321, 323, 325, 327, 329, 331, 333, 335, 337, 339, 341, 343, 345, 347, 349, 351, 353, 355, 357, 359, 361, 363, 365, 367, 369, 371, 373, 375, 377, 379, 381, 383, 385, 387, 389, 391, 393, 395, 397, 399, 401, 403, 405, 407, 409, 411, 413, 415, 417, 419, 421, 423, 425, 427, 429, 431, 433, 435, 437, 439, 441, 443, 445, 447, 449, 451, 453, 455, 457, 459, 461, 463, 465, 467, 469, 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Jan. 10, BOAC (Capt. Town-

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Jan. 11, BOAC (Capt. Easton),

2.10 p.m.

Manila:

Jan. 8, Cathay Pacific, 12

noon.

Singapore via Bangkok:

Jan. 9, BOAC (Capt. Rudd),

2.10 p.m.

Shanghai:

Daily, CNAC (DC4), 10.45 a.m.

Jan. 9, H.K. Airways (Capt.

Varley), 3.30 p.m.

Jan. 11, H.K. Airways (Capt.

Raeburn), 3 p.m.

San Francisco (via Honolulu,

Wake, Guam, Okinawa,

Shanghai):

Jan. 8, Pan-American, 4.45

p.m.

San Francisco (via Honolulu,

Wake, Guam, Manila):

Jan. 10, Pan-American, 12.45

p.m.

Salmon:

Jan. 9, Air France, 2 p.m.

DEPARTURES TO

Pool via Bangkok:

Jan. 10, BOAC (Capt. Need-

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Singapore via Bangkok:

Jan. 9, Cathay Pacific, 7 a.m.

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Guam, Wake, Honolulu):

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Swatow (Capt. C. Apold), S.C.

Binklang (U. & S.), from Pusan, D.

DEPARTURES YESTERDAY

Prosper (Jehon), Singapore

Manila, 1.51 tons

Manila, 1.51 tons

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